

A RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THE ADOPTION OF THE
COMMERCIAL RECYCLING IMPLEMENTATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Approved – December 4, 2008 – Environmental Commission

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan Update in 2002 that includes an overall recycling diversion goal (including the entire commercial sector) of 60% of the overall solid waste stream – approximately 40,200 tons/year for both City-serviced and non-City-serviced commercial customers;

Whereas, The City Council accepted the Environmental Commission's report entitled "Commercial Recycling Recommendations" and endorsed the recommendations in that report on July 2, 2007;

Whereas, The City Council directed the City Administrator and staff to develop where appropriate specific ordinances, regulations, programs and educational resources to implement the recommendations;

Whereas, The City Council directed the City Administrator and staff to evaluate the franchising of commercial solid waste collection services within the City;

Whereas, The City Council directed the Ann Arbor Environmental Commission to create a multi-stakeholder Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee of affected business groups to facilitate input from the business community related to the implementation of specific recommendations;

Whereas, the Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee has completed and forwarded a report entitled "Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations" to the Environmental Commission for its consideration with the recommendation to accept this report and endorse its recommendations;

Whereas, the City Administrator and staff have proposed a commercial solid waste collection franchise contract and a proposed commercial solid waste collection rate schedule;

Resolved, That the Environmental Commission accepts the report entitled "Commercial Recycling Implementation Recommendations" and endorses the recommendations contained therein;

Resolved, That the Environmental Commission recommends that the City Council accept and endorse the report and its recommendations;

Resolved, That the Environmental Commission recommends that the City Council direct the City Administrator and staff to implement the report recommendations, including the adoption of specific ordinances and a franchise waste collection contract developed by the staff with the input of the Commercial Recycling Implementation Committee;

Resolved, That the Environmental Commission recommends that City Council create a multistakeholder oversight committee to assist the staff in the development of a solid waste collection rate schedule, which would be adopted prior to the July 1, 2009 start-up date for the commercial recycling program, and that includes, at a minimum, a review of

the frequency of pickup, the number of containers per pickup, and the weight of waste material per waste container;

Resolved, That the Environmental Commission recommends that City Council create a committee to advise on amendments to the ordinance or regulations for the site planning process related to the siting of solid waste and recycling collection containers that would eliminate or mitigate additional costs for a business or property owner associated with siting of waste and recycling containers, which would be adopted prior to the July 1, 2009 start-up date for the commercial recycling program;

Submitted by Commissioners Bean, Stead and Teall - December 4, 2008

Approved Unanimously December 4, 2008

	Yes	No	Absent		Yes	No	Absent
Steve Bean	✓			Gwen Nystuen	✓		
Rita Loch Caruso	✓			David Stead	✓		
Anya Dale	✓			Valerie Strassberg	✓		
John German			✓	Margie Teall	✓		
Chris Graham	✓			Summer Tucker	✓		
Carsten Hohnke	✓			David Wright	✓		
Planning Commission Representative - TBD			✓				