## City of Webster Groves Sustainability Commission Meeting

Meeting Date	Monday, July 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Meeting Place	City Hall, Second Floor Conference Room
Meeting Called to Order	4:03 PM
Meeting Adjourned	5:43 PM

## **Attendees**

Name	Presen t	Absent
Padraic McGrath	X	
Erik Lueders		Χ
Kim Hoskins	Х	
Deborah Frank	Х	

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Paul Marske	Χ	
John Berendzen	Х	
Danelle Haake	Χ	
Jeffrey Tomich	Χ	
Jamie Hasemeier	Χ	

## Also Present:

Steve Wylie, Staff Liaison

Gerry Welch, Mayor of Webster Groves, City Council Liaison

Chris Drier, Director of Recycling, Waste Management

Dan Hannah, St. Louis Municipal Manager, Waste Management

## **Meeting Items:**

- 1. Meeting called to order at 4:03 PM
- 2. Minutes Approval: Not applicable
- 3. Waste Management Guest Speakers:
  - Waste Management perspective on local, national, and international issues and barriers to recycling.
  - Discussion of other case studies WM has been involved in.
  - Overview of how China's change in acceptable recycling materials has required the recycling market to shift to other markets.
  - Biggest don't's for recycling are to not recycle plastic bags as part of the WM curbside program
  - RORR website resource available on WM website
  - Commission requested that WM provide some information on past studies that they have been involved in evaluating the effectiveness of recycling programs.
  - Discussed most effective way to educate (school assemblies, grants, info-graphics, etc.) and grant opportunities.
- 4. Bike Share Update
  - Ofo is pulling out of St. Louis already (budget issues); Lime Bike is getting into assistive bikes/scooters. With this type of program Lime Bike has insurance and the City is indemnified.
- 5. Deborah Frank gave an update on Green Cities
  - Regional meeting was cancelled; a new date has not been scheduled
  - City will pursue working directly with Jean Ponzi from MOBOT
- 6. Steve Wylie gave an update/requested input on a letter the City received from a college student who is pursuing an effort to ban plastic straws. Consensus from the commission was that it may be worthwhile for her to communicate/connect with the Green Dining Alliance so that goals can be aligned and to encourage vs. ban/hinder her efforts.
- 7. Danelle Haake handed out literature on reducing road salt usage for general information (related to research she is doing).
- 8. The next meeting was scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in the same location.
- 9. Motion to adjourn the meeting: Danelle. Second: John. Adjourned at 5:43 pm.