



Action Plan to Minimize Negative Impacts of Waste and Recycling Sites Update - IP2023-0501

Infrastructure and Planning Committee

2023 June 7



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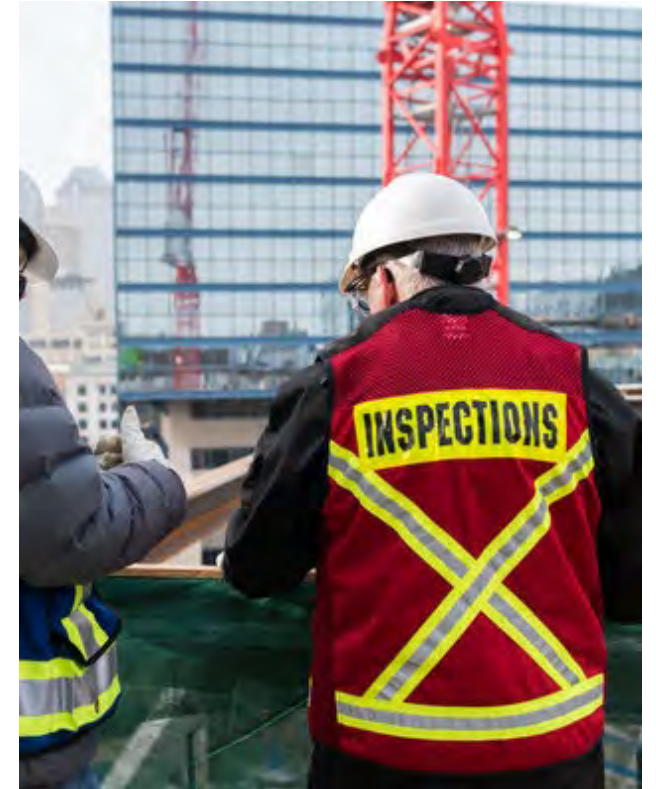
Why does this matter?

- Clarifies complex layers of regulations
- Enables private waste and recycling businesses to operate successfully
- Prevents public health, safety and environmental impacts
- Resolves nuisances more effectively
- Directly benefits both waste and recycling businesses and neighbouring properties



Actions Completed to-date

- Established inter-departmental working group and improved inspections and enforcement
- Resolved nuisance issues on six of nine sites identified in PFC2021-0222
- Addressed gaps in regulation through Land Use Bylaw amendments (IP2022-0503)
- Developed informational booklet
- Conducted survey of waste businesses





What we heard

Highlights from 2022 April Survey of Waste Businesses and Neighbouring Properties

- Concerns raised that a small number of operators give the entire industry a negative image
- Desire to ensure businesses with stricter operating standards are not put at a competitive disadvantage
- Support for new City regulations to require higher standards of operations

Ongoing Actions and Next Steps

- Amend the Business Licence Bylaw to close remaining regulatory gaps
- Continue advocacy efforts with Province of Alberta
- Coordinate regulations with regional municipal partners





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