

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

**Service and Financial Implications
No anticipated financial impact**

RISK

Failing to prevent or reduce the negative effects generated by poorly managed and unregulated operating practices risks continued exposure to public health and safety and environmental hazards. Administration’s actions to improve enforcement and update regulations mitigate this risk.

The City of Calgary’s Waste & Recycling Services team occupies a complex space within the waste and recycling industry, playing three important roles: industry regulator, service provider, and industry player/competitor. Increasing municipal oversight of private operators could be perceived as giving preference to The City over the private sector. Ensuring oversight is focused on a level playing field for businesses, regulatory compliance, reducing nuisances and environmental impacts is key to mitigating this perception. It is essential that additional regulation be transparent to the businesses community and be communicated with a detailed and intentional communications plan.

Moving forward with proposed amendments to the Business Licence Bylaw without further internal review and dialogue with the business community could expose The City to reputational risks and could result in inadequate implementation. Bringing Business Licence Bylaw amendments by no later than Q2 2024 will allow The City to conduct further communication with impacted parties, address risks identified above and develop an implementation strategy.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Background and Previous Council Direction
2. 2023 Action Plan to Minimize Negative Impacts of Waste and Recycling Sites
3. Informational Booklet: Minimizing Negative Impacts of Waste and Recycling Sites
4. Presentation-IP2023-0501

Department Circulation

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