

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Sustainability Advisory Board

TO: City Commissioners

FROM: Sustainability Advisory Board

DATE: February 11, 2013

RE: Support for recommendation for curbside recycling program

The Sustainability Advisory Board met in a special session on Monday, February 11, 2013, to discuss the pending recommendations of the RFP Review Committee.

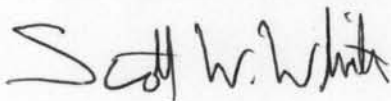
The Sustainability Advisory Board supports the recommendation to authorize staff to negotiate with Hamm for MRF operations under the proposal for the City to provide bi-weekly curbside recycling service.

The SAB strongly supports the implementation of a city-wide curbside recycling program. The board further supports the goal set out by the Solid Waste Task Force of reaching a 50 percent recycling rate by 2020.

This is an exciting opportunity for the community in terms of both curbside recycling and local economic impact. Several of the benefits include:

- Local control
 - Demonstrated services (solid waste side)
 - More responsive to community input
- Continuing the successful, long-term partnership with Hamm Inc.
- Lower transportation costs
- Lower carbon footprint
- MRF located in close proximity to community
- Local educational opportunities (MRF tours)
- Easier for local haulers to have a convenient outlet for materials

Presented on behalf of the SAB,



Scott White, Chair