

>>Richard Cloutier: One of the reasons I'm here, is to make sure this is on time.

Right now, Winnipeggers, are currently diverting, 17 percent residential waste from land fill and that is amongst the lowest of cities in Canada.

We need to change that.

The master plan will go to the City Council in the fall, that is the update of the Brady land fill, and the five streams of waste of residential, multi family, industrial, commercial, institutional construction and demolition and City of Winnipeg corporation, and from the collection to processing to disposal.

The goal of the master plan is to provide options for us, that will increase the diversion to at least 50 percent by composting waste.

We have a ways to go.

Today's goals are taking the first few steps towards Winnipeg's vision and master plan. You are all part of that. We want you to share your thoughts and ideas on various aspects, and to launch SpeakUp on Garbage, and will help ensure your plan reflects your views.

One of the reasons I'm involved in this, I am passionate about this, I think we have a long ways to go in a quick time.

Using the portable microphones, we want you to say your name, share your vision -- now it is 30 seconds -- we are asking you to pass the microphone to the next person.

I will be a time keeper on this.

I'm pretty good at keeping people on time.

I will not cut you off at 30 seconds but by between 32 and 34 seconds -- I'm kidding. More like 36. You can really start from "my vision for the future of garbage and recycling services in our city is..."

So, we have our microphones and we will start over here.

And we will wind our way up through this side and then we will come back on this side and go back up as well.

If you can state your name and give us your best and magical 30 seconds beginning here.

>> my name is Jack, our goal is to eliminate land fills all together and recycle all our garbage right here in Winnipeg. We are honoured to be part of this and look forward to working with you to achieve the goal. It will take more than the city to make this happen, let's all get involved to make this happen. If you want to do something today, towards that, I encourage you to go buy a recycled product. Thank you.

>> I am Lynn, I am with St. John in the north end, we want regular weekly garbage pick up, regular weekly pick up of bulk items, where pick up is free due to fire risk. Back lane autobin cleaning and maintenance is an issue because autobins don't belong to single residents. Keeping back lanes clean is a priority and illegal dumping in the back lanes must be brought under control.

>> My name is Karen, I am the director of stewardship Manitoba.

MM; M is an industry which funds hundreds of recycling programs throughout the province. Our strategy feels that waste minimization cannot be successful without the use of an user pay system.

We believe each household should be active in a recycling program.

The amount of waste a household brings to the curb, anybody exceeding that limit, should be charged.

>> hi, I am Sara, I am the manager of sustainability of Red River College, and my vision is that the city enhance and work with commercial operations to reduce waste, so we can take a community comprehensive approach. Further, what role can our educational institutions play in better waste management system by sharing research and analysis?

Is there a better use for crushing glass, and local option for recycled plastic instead of shipping around the world? What are the environmental impacts of having trucks driving around our city, when we could be composting in our back yards.

These are questions we want answered by working with our city, province and health organisational operations.

>> Good morning, Shelagh Graham, Greening Coordinator at West Broadway Development Corporation

Winnipeg must target zero waste. This requires multiple initiatives. First, major public education campaigns are essential for new projects as well as for developing in ALL citizens a sense of personal responsibility around waste management. Second, the City's approach must be comprehensive and holistic, tackling traditionally challenging areas like industrial, commercial, and multi-family residential waste. By actively engaging Winnipeg communities and working closely with the Province we can ensure Brady Road will be the last landfill we'll ever need.

>> I am the President of the Crescentwood Neighbourhood Association in River Heights. I am interested in organics recycling. I have been living in Toronto and they have a curbside organics program. I see Brandon implemented this program and I don't

understand Winnipeg hasn't.

>> My name is Jeff Browaty. My vision is low-cost efficient service and encourages waste minimizing and recycling but does not impose upon people. Regular people who have larger amounts should be discouraged from putting more out to the curb. Hoarding is also a major issue. We have to make sure people are healthy.

I think a bigger concern is having a third truck go down the street minimizing the stuff that falls out of the trucks on to the street.

>> I am Mike, the acting CAO of the City of Winnipeg. First of all, I want to thank the department for having an open forum today for everybody to join us in sharing some of the ideas, and I'm really looking forward to everything that comes up today.

Thank you very much.

>> My name is Fred, I am a Red River College student in the environmental protection program. I am also interested in Community Economic Development. Our plastics are being shipped overseas. I'd like to see local markets and employment developed for the recycling and reuse of local products. I would like to see that changed and get more market for it.

>> Hi, my name is Justin, I am also a Red River student in the environmental protection program. I moved here from Nova Scotia 6 years ago, Nova Scotia diverts 95 percent of solid waste from landfills, they have a functional organic recycling program that is clear garbage bins.

If you don't use the program appropriately you are fined.

I think we could implement something like that over time.

>> My name is Linda, my vision for Winnipeg is all organic matter in each neighbourhood stay in that neighbourhood.

Low cost, low tech way to start is yard composting.

Much of it is yard waste, other cities are diverting this and we can to.

>> My vision for the city is to aid in the development of the participation process. I want to participate in what we are here to talk about today which is the reduction of over all waste.

Thank you.

>> I am from Winnipeg, I would like to have the same programs we have in BC and Saskatchewan, we notice are really good.

I have had contact with the mayor many times and different people over the years including CJOB to talk about the recycling and promotion and education that we need.

>>My name is Paul, I worked across Canada, and I've seen different systems the other provinces have, especially BC, Alberta, and Saskatchewan -- 6 to 7 hours drive west of here.

I think that we can do this too. I think if we go down and check with Saskatchewan, they have a proven system there, and that's where our answer lies.

Thank you.

>> Good morning, my name is Rob, I am a policy analyst with Manitoba Conservation and worked on waste reduction for almost 30 years actually in the province. I am here to listen today and hear what people have to say, as a resident of Fort Garry, I think the

city could do lost more to start profiting from garbage and how to reduce it.

>> Good morning my name is Martin, looking at the recovery rate from the City of Winnipeg, at 17 percent, maybe somehow there should be more restrictions and bans on things like Styrofoam and plastic bags like other provinces.

Thank you.

>> Good morning my name is Harold, I am a suburban househusband. My vision is that we take individual responsibility for what we create. We also need to have producers of garbage, fast food restaurants and manufacturers of consumer goods and package their goods, and we make them be responsible for the waste they produce.

>> Good morning, my name is Terry, I am a resident of Fort Rouge, and Earl grey area. Reducing, reducing everything, I don't think we will ever get down to that point of zero waste -- and if we can't get down to reducing everything, that means that on an ongoing basis, we will have to have some place to put the garbage.

Brady road will only last so long.

I couldn't believe when the City of Winnipeg was actively opposing the development of the new dump in Rosser, along highway 7.

It just didn't seem to be -- make any sense that they would oppose establishing a new dump, but maybe they were just trying to tweak the politicians a little bit to get it approved.

If you haven't had some place to put it, maybe we can put in terms of large scale indication of bulk, like -- diversification of bulk, some place in the world.

I know that might sound like shipping your troubles to somebody else.

Perhaps it could be established for something useful to do.

Thank you.

>> My name is Kay Lynn, I am a resident of Winnipeg's north end.

My vision is for is more for the short-term. Until we recycle everything. In the north end we have autobins. I am an able-bodied person, I have problems opening the lid, I can't imagine how seniors or disabled open the garbage bins.

I would like to see regular pick up of garbage bins for picking up bulky waste - a lot of time bins cannot be emptied because of what is in there.

In the long-term I would like to see a ban on Styrofoam.

>> Denise from St. James. I think our system should be more positive and not punitive. I don't think we need to punish regular homeowners, because they may occasionally go over their limit.

I think what we need to do is look at what is holding people back, why we are only diverting 17 percent and find ways to encourage more in the 3-R programs.

Also we need to encourage retailers, companies and retailers to use more planet friendly packaging, and city wide paper cardboard recycling for businesses, that would be a great diversion for taking that stuff out of the landfill.

Thank you.

>> hi, I am Lynn. We have rolling bins, that's the bins with the wheels on them. We have had a lot of trouble getting people to use them properly.

They have too much garbage to fit into the rolling bins. For example a large family with 8 children are only given one rolling bin. Why can't that mother go to city hall and say I have a large family I need more than one rolling bin. I am worried in the winter time in back lanes the snow plow will nick the rolling bins because they are not pushed back onto people's property. Then it will be a big fight about who will replace those rolling bins because they cost \$80 as far as I know. A lot could be done in blue boxes.

80 percent of our people are renters, people move and I don't know where the blue bins go to.

I heard that you can recycle using clear plastic garbage bags and I never knew that, so people can recycle without blue bins. I thought of going door-to-door and asking people would you like a blue box so those who are interested can recycle. People are getting -- there is a program CBC, where they were complaining about all the plastics, and people are saying, I have been trying to cut back on plastics. People are becoming aware of it. And we also have trouble with bulky waste pick up. I have to thank Harvey Smith City Councillor for working hard to pick up the large bulky waste in the Spence area.

Also talked about the deposit sites where people can be paid 5 or 10 cents for a plastic or pop can and children would pick them up and bring them in, and it would save a lot of garbage going to the recycling place.

>> Good morning my name is Theresa. I am from the Spence neighbourhood also. Just to confirm with Lynn, we do have a major issue with garbage, because the area is transient area, we have a lot of people coming in and out. We do have massive bulk waste problem. Usually that's as a result of overflow bins, coming from illegal dumping and that's a major issue. A lot of contract workers, business in the community dump their garbage in the bins, leaving no space for community members.

So that's an issue. Which also leads to another safety hazard of dumpster fires, also,

dumpster diving, where we have people from the community picking up bulk waste, mattresses and couches and sorts like that, and they have bed bugs in them. That leads to another health issue too.

So something needs to be done, a -- more education. Promoting garbage, recycling, and getting it out there to the community is very important.

>>Good morning, my name is Jeff. My vision for Winnipeg waste and recycling is a leader and catalyst in the industry. Recycling is now a legal obligation. Recycling Managed by a sorting program and captures all sorts of waste materials including commercial and industrial -- and is a cost effective logical system. The key is a user-friendly program at collection.

The recycling and garbage services will be self-sufficient and self-sustaining without tax payers support.

Keep in mind supply is free and waste management industry is one of the most profitable industries in Manitoba.

>> good morning my name is Colleen.

My solution for the plastic is liquid depot, which is bulk liquid dispensing to allow the public to return and reuse their plastic containers for reduced product costs. This would be a facility where they would come with their plastic containers, and refill them from a reduced cost. Like cleaning supplies such as laundry soap, dish detergents and start with that.

To -- which is eco friendly. I'm here to see if the environmental department will also help with funding this new facility.

That's it.

>>My name is Tim and my vision for the future of the city is one that changes the size of our bins so that the big bin is worth recycling, and small bins for garbage. Also a city that has a competent sensitive household composting program and we hold businesses that produce the most garbage such as fast food outlets accountable for all the garbage they are creating and currently not recycling.

Thank you.

>> My name is Ross, from Vancouver, new resident to Winnipeg.

I would like to bring a more -- where I came from, I want to bring that way of thinking to Winnipeg. First of all, most obvious one to recover all empty beverage containers, redeemed for cash. I would definitely like to see less waste bins in the city or smaller ones. As an entrepreneur and independent recycler, I would like to see grants offered to individuals such as myself, who can create resources or create ideas of improving waste recovery.

A big one that I am very passionate about is to have existing companies who make these products that are recyclable and they also take back what they sell, to rebate independent recyclers for the items that are reasonable or that the companies are able to reuse or recycle.

For composting, in Vancouver, we have local facilities that collect compost or material and they put it in a big pile however they dispose of it, or they can reuse or resell them or whichever, or residents can pick them up for free and use them in their gardens.

>> My name is Mary, I live in the north end I agree with my St. John's people are saying about the auto bins. I think composting is vitally important and we want to do it on a city wide scale.

Compost facility in San from Francis could be -- before we take on the public service we

need to return other services, garbage collection, waste treatment, when private corporations do nothing.

Not for people and not for the public good.

(applause):

>> Good morning my name is Glen, I am a residential of Fort Garry. Private companies pick up our garbage. In order for these companies to make profits, they need to charge more services or both. Recently a local news story revealed above 60 percent of garbage trucks, failed safety inspections. Using private companies is giving a third party responsibility and removed accountability and control from the community.

We need to shape what Winnipeg is striving for – but being accountable to the needs and services for the people.

Thanks.

>> Good morning my name is Erin.

I am a resident of Wolseley.

I own a restaurant and my main form of transport is walking.

I would like to see a study something into -- it all out there, -- the correlation with violence, crime, and just disregard for garbage.

As a restaurant owner, it is very difficult right now to recycle in the industry, so I would like to see that made a lot easier. And then, from the litter perspective, just ways to bring that down. I think being out there walking, it is pretty depressing at times.

I think it is from the recycling boxes. A lid over the boxes or some system to keep it down that would be great. I work downtown and in a big office, and coffee cups, I don't know. Putting a charge on them, that has to be done at the level of forcing, I think getting companies to charge a surcharge on coffee cups would be great.

>> My name is Kevin, Red River College student.

My vision would be a simple program, it would be called new garbage incentive program. We would focus on decreasing a lot of the waste in our landfill sites. It would be by communicating everything to be recycled.

Implement new laws that would make recycling mandatory.

Assign workers to Brady landfill to sort through garbage before it enters the land fill. Promote those who recycle and offer incentives to those that don't.

Incentive to partakers could be as simple offering free tax credit vouchers or food stamps.

By following incentives, we could encourage participation in the City of Winnipeg.

An improvement would be not only an incentive to recyclers, but also paid workers to sort and organise garbage. This could significantly decrease landfill waste by 90 percent. This is strategy for the City of Winnipeg to include renewable energy resources. The current garbage collection process has been a dirty process and dirty business.

Alternatively, to create a process that is definitely a cleaner way of doing business. So get a grip Winnipeg and start recycling.

>> Good morning, my name is Gerald. It is confession time.

I had three or four burned out florescent light bulbs which I saved for several years. I checked in as many places that I thought I could, I wanted to recycle them or dispose of them safely. Eventually I gave up and threw them in the household garbage, regrettably because of a lack of information and access, many citizens are doing even worse.

Think of the paint, paint thinner, used oil, and antifreeze, out dated medications, and various other pollutants, that are going into landfill daily.

My vision for recycling is better information, more alternatives, and better access so that we can reduce waste, donate items, or reuse items.

Thank you.

(applause).

>> Good morning, my name is Cecelia.

My husband and I go for walks almost every day, and I am surprised at what people are throwing out in their garbage. I am wondering if there might be some way to encourage people to donate their many useable items.

Thank you.

(applause).

>> Hi my name is Remy.

I believe we need a program as one in Nova Scotia and I support mandatory sorting program. Winnipeg's water waste is a topic I would like to see through a community consultation as well. I would like to know the residents of Winnipeg are provided an opportunity before a thirty year contract is signed.

>> Good morning my name is Grant and I live in the west end.

One of my concerns today, is the wrong message has been sent out with waste management in terms the bag -- the bump centre in the bag.

They are being corrected and sent it the landfill when many are the products can be recycled and somebody should be called up on that bringing that up to attention.

The second thing I would like to call to attention, there is not enough information or availability of recycling or disposing hazardous electronic waste, televisions, computers and that kind of stuff,.

Thank you.

>> Thank you, my name is councillor Jenny Gerbassi. Increasing recycling alone is not enough.

We need to use less packaging, the system should reward those who throw away less, we should be composing on a wide scale and energy could be produced on waste to make a system that is environmentally and financially sustainable.

It is time for Winnipeg to act and get our waste diversion rate out of the tank.

Thank you.

(applause):

>> I am the chair of the green action committee of the Unitarian church.

I would like to see six programs for residential waste, three to be handled by the stewardship programs, including bluebook recycling, drop-off boxes in super markets,

parking lots for newsprint and office paper.

House hold hazardous waste to be returned to the retailer.

I would like to see three handled by the city, compostables, and finally collection of residuals.

We need to get rid of the word garbage.

Brady should be trampled into an industrial park with composting, and other environmental industries.

>> Peter Miller policy chair of the Green Action Centre, formerly Resource Conservation Manitoba.

Brady is Winnipeg's newest industrial park of businesses that process and use our discards. Burying garbage comes to a virtual halt. We are mining it instead. Methane from the old dump and anaerobic composting provide heat, power and truck fuel.

We got there because we examined every material and source to discover its potential and eliminate barriers; worked with industry to develop local processing, uses and markets (as is their mandate); and got the province to establish the right bans, levies and rebates.

>> my name is Jenny I would love to have a composting program in Winnipeg, coupled with more municipal support, and resources dedicated to compost for small buildings and communities. There are huge issues in the west end as bed bugs multiply and auto bins overflow. This issue needs to be taken more seriously and auto bins have to be improved. Lastly I hope Winnipeg in general takes more serious ownership of waste and with long-term vision.

>> Good morning my name Sylvie with the Green Action Centre, my vision garbage is not in our vocabulary any more. Everything will be composed and et cetera.

Zero waste is the way to go. It is a daunting task, we need to start somewhere, -- Nova Scotia and BC have done it we can too. Implement a curb side organic program not just for residents but also for businesses.

>> Hi, my name is Sarah, I think that education is really key to what happens in moving forward on waste. Far too often, we send our garbage away and don't give a second thought to it, out of sight and out of mind.

Having moved downtown my main issue is composting. I know lots of neighbourhoods and households are doing a great job with composting right now, and I think the efforts need to be supported.

I would like to see a city wide composting program.

Living downtown in an apartment, there are not a lot of options that can be accomplished indoors, it is not enough to compost almost all waste.

I think there would be people who would take part in a city wide curb side program that can't do it at home or aren't interested in doing it in their backyard.

>> My name is Josh Brandon, I am with the Green Action Centre.

My vision is that Winnipeggers will recognise and agree that ours is a finite planet and strive towards the goal zero waste. I agree with the city that we need to set a target, as an interim target to start with, and 50 percent is good.

The problem is, we are all procrastinators, and our City Counsellors are -- Councillors are procrastinators as well, no offence to anyone here.

I think we need to set a time line for that. We need to reach our 50 percent goal within four years before the next election. The other cities in Canada have done this and gone beyond 50 percent, cities like Hamilton, and Edmonton. We can do it if we tackle the problems of ICI based and household composting and get ourselves on track with our time line towards sustainability.

>> Good morning my name is Jack.

I have been providing waste removal services for new home builders, in the past 21 years in Winnipeg. We have seen some dramatic changes in those 21 years. Back when I started it was never an issue of unrelated household garbage but now it is an ongoing problem. It is especially bad in rolling wheels, people have big screen TVs, they don't have room for it, and they put it in our bins. We are also concerned about construction demolition waste. We would like to see a set up at Brady landfill that would provide opportunities for people to work at the landfill.

>> My name is Ray. I live in the St. James area. This is hard to say, except this gentleman, took the words out of my mouth. My vision is that we should move to a society that recycles as much as we can.

To have a structured program and time lines, and education of people.

I find education is one of the most important parts of -- doing something, to change from one thing to another. I know, my community in St. James received rolling carts. First there were quite a lot of people complaining, I think that has died down substantially and I think it is working good now.

There is a way, and there are other ways to get people to move forward.

One thing I think is pretty important is to choose positive ways to go.

Thank you.

>> Thank you. My name is Bob. I am representing SSCOPE Inc, I want if you can today to ask to take a wider look to bring benefits to an organisation like ours. We employ people with mental health disabilities, large work force additional work and jobs. All are almost on social assistance and one of the reasons I am here is to help create work for them. At this point, we are already involved with tree compost, street scape program, cleaning up Notre Dame, and the message I leave for you today, is that we are interested and we want to open up a retail place, where we can reuse and recycle.

We are hoping to use other benefits.

If you are looking for an organisation to give you the added win, talk to us because we are increasingly involved and will be interested to listen and it is important to us as well.

(applause).

>> My name is Jaime, I want compost implemented and as well recycling.

>> Hi my is Stephanie.

I have been working with landfills since 2003. My vision is to see markets developed for materials going to landfill. There is low diversion because there is no market here. If you go to the landfill during renovation time, you can see shingles, mattresses, wood, compost. There is a very good material here we can do something but we need the incentives. There is no market. There is not a price. We need to get some revenue from that and give it back to the community.

Thanks.

(applause):

>> Morning, my name is Rob Anderson with a company called St. Boniface Pallet Company. We are a large waste re-- recycler, been in business for 17 years.

My vision for the future would be obviously reduction of landfill, but until that happens, I see landfill as being something where there are products generated from what is going into it, whether it be energy consumption or recycling down at the landfill rather than the home I think we have to look at it as a collection point and maybe that's the most efficient way, everything go to recycle from there rather than doing it individually.

Thanks.

>> Hi my name is Pam I am a resident of Southdale I walk a lot in my neighbourhood. I find it very disturbing to see the garbage blowing around in my neighbourhood. Almost all is related to food, coffee cups, drink wrappers, plastic straws. I see most of it coming from the fast food industry. A lot of those restaurants are around my neighbourhood.

My second concern is the organic material sitting in plastic bags this time of year. It all goes to the landfill. And the third thing that I have problem with in my neighbourhood, is hazardous waste. I find it very, very difficult to find a place to take my waste. It is not easy to dispose of. It takes an effort that most people are not prepared to do that. I don't see a problem with charging some sort of fee to the seller of the product. Also, I find the goal of 50 percent, I would like to see that increased.

(applause):

>> Morning, my name is Claudia. I am a north end girl. My immediate, need for the garbage plan is to get rid of the auto bins, it was my mandate when they came out. They don't do anything to further Winnipeg in its vision to actually reduce garbage. These things are massive. I have seen car parts, every place has little chop shops in the back -- all kind of waste in there and it is disappointing and disgusting. We may take a look at

different areas and every area -- take a look of the areas that are cleaner, because it can be scaled back a lot. My larger vision for the Winnipeg plan would include all services for garbage -- recycle compost materials to a set limit for users trash, and there should be an over the limit user pay system.

And policies for manufacturers, and a year round easily accessible location for hazardous waste. We need to mandate some of these retailers, for instance, all of the drug stores to actually take back any pharmaceutical, waste, not the pharmaceutical that they want in their store.

We need education in the form of door-to-door green teams in recycling areas, a lot of people don't read brochures or watch TV.

I think the city could help a lot of areas that have food bags blowing around by putting garbage receptacles, in the north end.

Thank you.

>> Good morning, I am maintenance coordinator and head of the clean team with the business. In my work I have had an opportunity to observe the habits of Winnipeg citizens, and quite frankly, I'm impressed people are buying into recycling programs. They are making an effort to deposit appropriate waste into those receptacles, however, we need to vastly improve both the number of the receptacles that are available, and also the emptying of those. We are concerned seeing on the street every day, bulk waste, electronics, coffee makers, those are the type of things not being recycled and diverted into the landfill.

We would like to see something take place with that type of waste.

>> Good day, I live in the Point Douglas area, I spent my summer chasing after garbage -- one thing with rooming houses you tend to have large trash problems at the end of the

month, to do with furniture and mattresses. It has been a task to chase after the city to get it done.

They sit there for weeks not cleaned up, fire have started and we were throwing them in the dumper ourselves. Residents should not have to do that. I don't recycle it is a pain in the butt for me I have a deep yard, and so crap piles up. And there is no way to recycle for me otherwise. When you put out stuff in the lane without a bin they won't pick it up, and so it blows around. That's about it.

>> Good morning.

A little bit late I am from in Norwood. My name is Henry. A good point this gentleman, 2 persons down from me, said we don't recycle enough.

All you have to do is go to these garbage cans you remember, and see some of the good material that garbage of Winnipeggers throw there like 2x4s especially wood, some of it is fairly new and I'm sure some people could use that stuff. We should be recycling that stuff for people that can't buy them. I think what we have a garbage pick up around Norwood is pretty good. The only thing I would like to see, all these cups on these coffee places that are laying all over the place. It seems in the spring that you people have lots of good advertisement, to clean up, garbage, around your place. Or around the street, but we don't hear any more throughout the year. That's a point that I would like to see that more advertised for that. Also, the other place that really bothers me that there is a place,

I know they have been trying to clean up there, but it seems nothing is done, I would like something to do something about that. Nobody can live around there, the filth that is there.

Thank you very much.

>> my name is Karen.

Mandatory source separation of residential business ways. What I want to say, I think it is time Winnipeg stepped up and became a leader in something that other people seem to want to follow. We are so far behind in all things we are doing. When you go to somebody's house and it is spotless, you take your shoes off. What do people do when they come to Winnipeg, they see garbage. I think we need to start the process of cleaning up the city, make it spotless and use whatever resources we have to do it. Spend some money, come up with a plan that is so incredible, that other people, go wow! Winnipeg! Instead of winter pegs, how about something that is positive. It is time we do something creative and take the good for all the provinces they are doing and spend the money we need to do to have composting and recycling instead of sending it far off.

And you know, people on assistance, that are not sick, on EI, let's put them to one. I drive through neighbourhoods and I know all these people are EI and social assistance. They are half my age. Have six kids, and they are drinking beer and smoke cigarettes, and listening to or watching their 50-inch TVs, let's put them to work to clean up the city.

>> Good morning, my name is Paul, from Samborski Environmental.

My vision would be a compost curb side collection city wide. That should be at the forefront of new garbage plan. It is most effective message to create diverse rates substantially. It will lengthen the life of our landfills.

Tipping fees should increase. This will help promote -- there is no value placed on garbage. It is simply too easy to bury the material than to recycle it. I truly believe the citizens will do the correct thing for our environment, they just need the means to do so.

>> Hello, my name is Jessica I am an environmental science student at the Univeristy of Winnipeg.

I would like to see a ban on organic material entering our landfills.

There is a large amount of materials that can be composted, but compostable food wear that will breakdown in your backyard, and there will be a curb side offered to residents and businesses. I think there is a lot of material that can be diverted, therefore it will increase the life of our landfill and offer a local solution to recycling so you don't have to ship it out. You can return it to our lands, adding nutrients to our land that has significant value, it seems like a winning solution.

>> Hi, I am a resident of west Kildonan and north end. I think my vision is material modification, turning it into materials, modify any mattress is \$5 broken down, and television is \$5, microwave is 3-dollars, and paint, and empty containers, coffee cups are 5 cents. Everything gathered up and returned within the city.

I also think we should explore novel options of futuristic options used in other cities, such a place, furnaces to burn trash, and generate electricity.

Plastic and packages is non-recyclable, they should be out right banned from Winnipeg. Don't sell it to us if it can't be put in a landfill.

Shingles, should be same plan, lumber can be recycled, we can build shingle mountains and again -- so, that's my take on stuff.

(applause).

>> Thank you very much, we are at 10:00 o'clock right now, and we want to get everybody in.

>> We think people and council have as much responsibility to keep garbage affordable but that will not happen until we have access to tools to make it happen. We envision every neighbourhood regardless of income level can readily access affordable waste options. With the access and affordability in mind let's start considering curbside pick up of organics and more community composting, hazardous waste disposing and disposable products for curbside, and an opportunity for commerce to share the household products they no longer need but someone else maybe able to make use of.

>> Hello, I live in the Corydon neighbourhood. After discussions we could come away with clear instructions for citizens. I think most people are aware that clean sustainable city is a healthy city, and a lot of people would like to have clear actions they can trust and actions they can take.

I would like to see community centres to have depot for people to drop-off reusable items maybe once a week or a garage sale, I think that's the way a sensible community should work. Thank you.

>> My name is James, I am with anchor urban recycling in the City of Winnipeg. This year we found how to make any kind of products that -- out of especially urban tree waste and wood waste, first of all, there is a market for a lot of wood waste. We are creating markets in other cities, and everything gets shipped to different cities. So part of the way to combat that is to raise tipping fees. We pay extremely low tipping fees in Winnipeg at the landfill that can offset the cost that a lot of recycling companies do have, instead of shipping everything across the country.

>> My name is Alex I am a student at the U of W.

My idea is talking about using the waste in the landfill and putting it back to work in the city. One way of you can do it and it would create a market for actual green transportation is to take all bike parts in the city, create bike shares in and around

communities that have people actually using these bike parts, learning how to take care of using them instead of driving cars around which creates more pollution. Another thing we should remember keep hearing the topic of sustainability. Sustainability is mode of production where pollution is a natural by-product. Moving away from the idea of sustainability where y controlling based, where the --ology based program, would have greater long-term effects than any sustainable way, I guess.

>> Hello my name is Barbara, and I would like to thank the city for having this. Education is a huge component in this. When things are published from the city they need to be published in plain, simple English so everyone can understand it.

Thank you.

>> West Saint Paul. I will go -- I will go over 30 seconds so you can throw something after me. I was green before anybody knew what green was.

My grandfather taught recycling, they taught conservation, and they taught be careful with everything. So, I see that background. I may not be too popular, by saying in the long run, our planet as is, is passed. In the medium -- in the immediate run political forces are a danger, not Winnipeg using landfills. The automated garbage bins, and scrap the rolling bins and give us rich collection services like the other parts in the city. Do the arithmetic, the damage caused by wheeling bins, that -- they cost more than by overloading the garbage handling costs to the public.

>> My name is Carol. I am a composer in West Broadway. Everyone is excited about some changes that are about to happen in this meeting.

In West Broadway, we have a lot of apartment blocks, and so we've decided to build public compost bins, for people to deliver their organic waste from their kitchens and gardens too, and some volunteers to take care of it for them, and take the many

compost to gardens and others.

We have a little system that is working really well, and in our four by five block neighbourhood, and I think it is inspiring. It is building up the community and is our pleasure.

Thank you.

>> My name is Marlene, I am here representing, lower income citizens, something I didn't hear what I arrived, poor accessibility, and a person like myself, that line of accessibility happens to be poor access to information such as today. The access was only available by website, not all seniors can afford to go to the website I speak at one. Also, there are four or five would have been here had I known this information in advance or at a more appropriate time. But I did not, and it made it very inconvenient and possible for them to come forward and share their views. So, please, make this accessible also is there is a phone number, as for the 3-11 and some information available. Those people get harassed by the public and at times, I can get very upset, and take my frustration out on them.

I admit I shouldn't, but it is human nature. So, I really encourage you to acknowledge accessibility. I recognise it has been mentioned numerous times and maybe do some research. Check out with non-profit organisations, particularly, those involving persons with disabilities, and educate yourself so you can see to understand what we are really saying when it comes to accessible and to do advanced technology. On the other hand, I want to thank, I want to thank everyone who has come and Carol from West Broadway, we do have a program going, which personally myself -- I'm also very thankful, and proud to share. There is mentioned, the best I can suggest, to the panelists and for everyone involved in this project, please do not just draft this out and put it on the shelf to collect dust. That has happened all too often. As far as another comment that has been made, is about garbage in the public. I see it every day around downtown, and I

believe advanced technology, has triggered an anxiety epidemic, and I have seen people in executive jobs drop an empty paper cup or pop bottle or a wrapping from a hot dog and a waste bin was barely 2 steps away. They would not go that far, instead they wrapped it up threw it on the sidewalk and left it there.

>> I thank you so very much, and I appreciate the comments I think that's the last part -- we have one here, right to the microphone right to the back.

Thank you very much, one more, --

>> To keep this easier on everybody, I could take a little bit of everybody's comments and use it in my speech. But I won't. Some of my comments are -- I am somewhat a conscience consumer and I recognise life is a whole lot easier this day and age than our grandparents age so it is easy for us to purchase something and throw it away. My vision for the city, look somewhat similar in practicality, what is currently, that's our waste pick up.

It happens on an every day level. However, behind the scenes, what could be happening, is one reclaiming the waste of future use and revenue.

No accruing of any debt to implement any recommended services, and lastly utilizing environmental levies, to funnel into actual for profit reclaim national projects.

>> thank you for your comments.

Please take 10 minutes.

We will hear from our panel and have time for questions as well.

Back in 10 minutes, please.

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