



Public Education/Public Awareness

- Increased understanding of the need for waste reduction
- Communications are easy to access and easy to understand for all
- One-stop shop for information on dealing with all material (garbage and recycling)
- All groups should take ownership of being leaders in waste reduction strategies (businesses, schools, City, institutions)



Recycling

- Should try to work toward recycling everything (including aftermarket products)
- Retailers accepting packaging and recycling material themselves (recycling it for public for a small fee)
- Look into local markets
- Drop off depots
- Deposit return systems
- Automated collection



Yard Waste

- Encourage grasscycling (mulching)
- Encourage naturalization/xeriscaping - Move towards NO yard waste!)
- Change the social norm around “the perfect lawn”
- Make it easy for people to get rid of yard waste (curbside pick-up)
- Ban cosmetic herbicides so resulting product is less contaminated



Composting

- Curbside composting and yard/neighbourhood composting options
- Residential and restaurant participation in composting is needed
- Need a composting facility AND education and promotion of composting
- Work with politicians and media to promote and support composting
- Many other cities and provinces have curbside composting
- Sell compost to use as fertilizer



Garbage Collection

- Move towards goal of zero waste
- Better public education to achieve goal of zero waste
- Collection system should be consistent city-wide
- Automated cart collection with options for sizes
- Get rid of AutoBins



Garbage Collection

- Get rid of bins/carts and return to manual collection
- Restrict amount of garbage allowed
- More by-laws to increase composting and recycling
- Continue to fund on property taxes? User pay?
- Collection should be less frequent when we have less garbage



Brady Road Landfill

- Tipping fee structure that promotes greater diversion
- Many options for the separation of waste at landfill for further diversion and material recovery (e.g. construction material)
- Brady as “industrial park” with businesses that divert and recycle products on-site and then sell them
- Stronger education about the Landfill

Non-residential Waste (Commercial)

- Chamber of Commerce - helping business be environmentally responsible.
- Retailers - recycling right at their locations.
- Companies share each others' waste (waste exchange) to become fuel for other companies.
- Make it easy to recycle - fund or promote a commercial MRF
- Educate, incentives from the government to the ICI waste
- Construction waste facility



Apartment/Condo Waste

- Need for recycling program
- Include yard waste, composting, organics
- Convenience, walking distance, provided at building, should be second nature (as simple as putting it in the garbage)
- Off-set costs with landlord



Reduce and Reuse

- Responsibility from business for product stewardship
- Force manufacturers to change packaging
- Regulations governing reducing and reusing
- Salvaging depots
- Increased giveaway weekends
- Incorporate change in values with incentive to change



Biosolids Management

- Work with agriculture and parks to use as fertilizer
- Need to make sure the products are safe
- Should we be using more compostable toilets, use of recycled grey toilets
- Generate a cooperative approach to problem solving with respect to this issue, including licensing procedures.
- A proactive communication between the province and the City of Winnipeg



Public Health and Safety

- Regular pickup/clean up of Bulky Waste
- Stronger by-law enforcement
- Hazardous waste disposal
- Improved disposal of pharmaceuticals
- Stronger cooperation among different levels of government, landlords and private sector to dispose of bulky waste/renovation waste.
- Placing onus on producers instead of end users (e.g. pharmaceuticals)



Electronic Waste

- Manufacturers and government both need to be leaders in reducing source waste and giving easier options for recovery such as depots, refundable deposits, and tax incentives
- Need more public education and awareness, better design of materials, market support for manufacturer responsibility
- Vancouver has depots where manufacturers can reclaim parts



Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

- Set up like leaf it depot for HHW
- Make it easier (Has to be as easy to get rid of as purchase)
- Be accessible to people who do not have vehicles
- Education and promotion on what HHW is



Bulky Waste

- Diversion and recycling of bulky waste instead of illegal dumping
- Bulky Waste Depots
- Programs for residents, communities and landlords to handle bulky waste
- City, community and private-sector partnerships are need
- Stronger communication and education
- Producer stewardship (e.g. cardboard packaging for bulky items)



Local Job/Market Creation

- Habitat for Humanity - example of job creation for construction materials
- Need tax incentives
- Versatech - good community partner and uses low skill and helps people
- Successful models of co-operation in Sweden



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- Continuing the public participation process at the start of next year with open houses, round tables and more