

CITY OF ASBURY PARK
GREEN TEAM
Monday, January 13, 2019 12:00pm
City Manager's Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

1. Plastic Bag Ban rollout (cont.): continued update on ban rollout, enforcement. Irina shared some questions and concerns received from businesses and residents, most about having to charge a fee. Explained why fee is necessary.
 - a. Business list – visit ones that have issues.
 - b. Stickers- Yvonne & Diana have designed window sticker/cling & will be getting quotes

2. Reusable bag drive: the poster has been made and distributed, Mike will be placing bins this week.
 - a. Bin placements- city lobbies, possible supermarket
 - b. see if any businesses in town could do a bring a bag take a bag

3. Plastic straw ban initiative: council has indicated this would likely be next initiative for straw ban. Discussed whether to include Styrofoam with the straw ban initiative
 - Would like to have period of educational initiative & prepare businesses for it as we did with bags
 - ban straws and provide alternative only upon request (alts include paper & reusable straws for purchase)
 - Bergen county-styrofoam free ban initiative
 - Business recognition program
 - Could see if mogo would be interested in doing education & Q&A for discontinuing Styrofoam
 - Will proceed with straw ban for 2020 & Styrofoam for 2021

4. Beach recycling containers- look into different container types for beach that don't allow mixing or at least deter comingling
 - Change colors of bins so it makes sense – blue for recycle, white for trash
 - Large stickers/logo for recycling so more noticeable

- Increase frequency of beach pickup so trash doesn't blow and overflow
- See if beach containers can be funded by beach utility fees

5. Green Expo 2020

- Springwood Park
- Date set June 13
- Will be separate event

6. Green Team 2020 goals and Sustainable NJ initiative

1. Straw ban- Surfrider has "strawless summer"
2. Beach recycling/traahs
3. Recycle xmas trees/ maybe dunes program
4. Gold star for energy- sustainable jersey
5. Water refill stations on boardwalk

7. Public Comments

(none)