



## Plastic Bag Task Force Meeting Notes 6.10.21

### **Meeting Notes:**

#### **Education and Outreach**

- Feedback from recent breakfast and DAB presentations has been positive. There have been plenty of questions being asked, and engagement from younger attendees.
  - o Questions ranged from the environmental to the economics of it.
  - o Committee members will continue to push for more presentations as scheduling allows.
  - o There has been a rise in the community discussing sustainability; members hope to continue the conversation with plastic bags.
- Bag It Showing- July 30 (7 – 8:30 p.m.) / September 18 – Staff can coordinate the itinerary for the event once a date is picked.
  - o Both available dates are Saturday; there would be two showings, depending on availability.
  - o July 31 is a set date; event would start around 6:30, with showing beginning at 7, post showing discussion will follow. Interest from staff to coordinate with ICT Open Streets.
  - o Baylee will continue to work with Katie from parks, to finalize the planning, and inquiring about other fall dates.
  - o There is an interest in utilizing the showings to highlight other sustainability initiatives.
  - o Members will attempt to coordinate an event at Open Streets; Councilwoman Tuttle will e-mail Troy from Parks and Rec. and inquire about timeline, and other logistics.
  - o Sheila will receive a list from Baylee with details regarding the event (popcorn machine).
  - o Team will discuss logistics, food trucks, speakers, etc...
  - o Baylee will provide a proposed itinerary before next meeting.
- **Economic Impact Study**
  - o Baylee will provide one-pagers with impact study information. Summary points below:
    - There is not a lot of available data, most communities do a ban with no study, but there is a short summary of a study done post-ban by the Equinox Center.
    - The study found that bans have no negative long-term effects for businesses or for residents.
    - Most households only experience a one-time expense increase of \$7.70 during the first year. This can be easily mitigated with outreach efforts.



- Attached will also be two different City examples of municipalities that implemented plastic bag bans and their process
- Heather will assist with financing for a study
  - A meeting with Jeremy Hill, for later this week has been coordinated and will provide an update as soon as she receives feedback.
- Committee members will brainstorm ideas to run study, if a consultant isn't an option

**To do:**

- Baylee will work with Katie, finalize planning, and answer all other committee inquiries.
- Heather will meet with Jeremy Hill and brainstorm ideas for an economic impact study, as well as look into financing it.
- Committee members are encouraged to brainstorm ideas for an “in-house” study.
- Baylee will provide Alejandro's one-pagers.
- Baylee will set up a meeting with YPW, Urban Professionals.

**Next meeting will be in-person, zoom link will remain active for those who can't attend. 1<sup>st</sup> floor boardroom, City Hall.**

**This will be Alejandro's last meeting, all inquiries should go to Baylee Vieyra.**

**Meeting Adjourned**