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City of Cambridge Recycling Advisory Committee - Business Subcommittee

June 15, 2011, Meeting Minutes by Judy Nathans

This was a very brief meeting since only Jan Dillon and Judith Nathans were in attendance. Randi Mail attended and Co-Chair, Adam Mitchell made a few comments.

Hauler Meeting Follow-up

Continued discussion from our last meeting about distributing the list of Cambridge commercial accounts that Randi merged as a result of the hauler license reporting requirement. She deleted the hauler name, and accounts related the universities or apartment buildings. The list shows the commercial account, address and a column for trash and recycling service. If they have curbside service for either, there is an "X" in the column.

A hauler did request the list at the April meeting, but RAC members and Randi agreed that the information was not 100% accurate. Some customers that do not appear to have recycling services actually do. There is concern salespeople from the licensed haulers would contact accounts that appear not to have recycling service and unintentionally take business away from another hauler.

All agreed that the list has to be treated as a work-in-progress and we need to determine what steps are needed to obtain more accurate information. Randi did supply to the committee a Dumpster List from the city which can help us cross-reference some locations.

We still need a good list of large scale commercial properties and who manages them, which may be obtainable from another city department, i.e., Economic Development, Community Development or Assessor's. Please see May 11 minutes for actions related to this project. Jan suggested that at the very least we can obtain phone numbers and/or websites for the businesses that stand out as needing contact. Judy said we could at least start with looking at businesses listed in the Cambridge Local First Directory with the list, since a brief review indicated there may be some that do not have a recycling hauler.

Mission Statement

We did not approve our Mission Statement, which was presented in the May 11 minutes.

Full RAC Meeting scheduled for July 13, 8am. DPW Commissioner Lisa Peterson will be in attendance to hear updates on committee progress, goals.etc.