REVISED Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM22.31 ACTION Ward:

Implementing a Mini Environment Day - by Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie

- * Notice of this Motion has been given.
- * This Motion is subject to referral to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations

Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, to create a safe, hybrid, mini Environment Day option for Fall 2020 using Solid Waste Management Services transfer stations; such mini Environment Days could include residents remaining in their cars and staff and volunteers assisting with the dropping off of various items, including textiles and the offering (pick up) of packaged compost; with this being the only option for an Environment Day Councillor's will be invited to partner in the events.

Summary

Community Environment Days are held every year to help reduce the amount of reusable, recyclable or household hazardous waste going into landfill. These Environment Days are an integral part of the City's waste reduction strategy. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, these Environment Days have been cancelled. As more people are working from home, and more accumulation of household waste taking place, it is vital we continue to keep consistent with the City's goals in supporting environmental initiatives. This Motion requests the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, to create a mini Environmental Day.

Background Information (City Council)

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(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-148213.pdf)