

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	America Recycles Day Proclamation
DEPARTMENT:	Public Works
PRESENTED BY:	Randy Witt, Public Works Director Rika Cecil, Environmental Services Analyst
ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proclamation

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

This proclamation recognizes November 15, 2015, as America Recycles Day in Shoreline. It calls upon residents and businesses to celebrate this 18th anniversary of America Recycles Day, and the significant contribution that everyone in our community contributes to conserve resources and protect our environment by reducing waste; recycling and re-using materials; and purchasing items made from recycled materials.

The Peking Restaurant in Shoreline is one example of the success that local businesses have made to improve recycling and reduce waste in Shoreline. When the restaurant added a cart for food scraps and a cart for co-mingled recycling in April 2013, they reduced their garbage volume by 50%. As businesses join this trend, we will all benefit.

Shoreline residents, Karien Balluff and Sarah Ruether have also taken an innovative approach to recycling. From May through July this year, Karien and Sarah worked as Artists-in-Residence at the Recology CleanScapes recycling facility, creating pieces of art from the materials recycled at the facility for visitors to watch, as they toured the site. Seven pieces of their artwork will be on display on the third floor of City Hall, as part of the Shoreline Arts Council gallery opening starting on Thursday, October 29.

Karien Balluff will accept the Proclamation for the artists, and a representative from Recology CleanScapes will accept the Proclamation on behalf of the Peking Restaurant.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor read the proclamation.

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment A - America Recycles Day Proclamation

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **MK**



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a healthy natural environment is the foundation of a vigorous society and a robust economy; and

WHEREAS, the City encourages the protection of our natural resources and the adoption of habits that promote a sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS, local businesses can be leaders in waste reduction and recycling; and

WHEREAS, local artists inspire each other, their families and their community to actively recycle, reuse items, and purchase products made from recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, America Recycles Day offers every individual an opportunity to recycle and protect our natural resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shari Winstead, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2015, as

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

in the City of Shoreline and call upon all citizens to celebrate this special occasion by thanking our artists and businesses for their hard work and significant contribution in protecting our environment.

Shari Winstead, Mayor