CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Proclamation of America Recycles Day			
DEPARTMENT:	Recreation, Cultural, and Community Services Department			
PRESENTED BY:	Cameron Reed, Environmental Programs Specialist			
ACTION:	Ordinance Resolution Motion			
	Discussion Public HearingX_ Proclamation			

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

This proclamation recognizes November 15, 2020, as America Recycles Day in the City of Shoreline. Throughout the month of November, it calls upon residents and businesses to learn more about waste reduction and recycling options and commit to recycle more materials every day of the year.

America Recycles Day encourages everyone in our community to conserve resources and protect our environment by reducing waste; recycling and reusing materials; and purchasing items made from recycled materials.

The Shoreline community is strongly supportive of recycling and efforts to reduce waste. Fourteen local businesses have earned EnviroStars recognition for their recycling practices and efforts to reduce waste. Thirteen Shoreline schools participate in the King County Green Schools program, working to advance recycling and resource conservation opportunities on their campuses. Lastly, Shoreline residents frequently participate in a wide range of drop-off recycling and product stewardship programs for difficult items such as Styrofoam, plastic film, electronics, and batteries.

We can each help create a sustainable community by following these examples to reduce the amount of waste we create and recycle as much as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

It is requested that Mayor Hall read the America Recycles Day Proclamation.

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment A – America Recycles Day 2020 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, King County residents and businesses recycle 54 percent of all solid waste generated, yet 70 percent of what is landfilled could have been reused, recycled or composted, we must continue to focus on initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, the reuse of product and materials, and purchasing recycled products; and

WHEREAS, community members and organizations can be leaders in waste reduction and recycling; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2020, as

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

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

Will Hall, Mayor		