

RESOLUTION 2022-62

A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE WASTE REDUCTION POLICY GUIDE

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2009, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) approved Ordinance 2009-41 that created a Sustainability Commission to serve in an advisory capacity; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2009, the BOMA approved Ordinance 2009-36 that endorsed the Sustainable Community Action Plan and encouraged all citizens to participate; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed or initiated many of the items from the 2009 Action Plan, including the establishment of a residential curbside recycling program, the adoption of a Greenways and Open Space Master Plan, a reduction in municipal electricity costs, and the procurement of several grants; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Sustainability Commission held two open house meetings and conducted an online survey to collect feedback on sustainability related efforts and to determine the most important issues; and

WHEREAS, the BOMA endorsed an updated Sustainability Action Plan in 2013, which was derived from feedback received from the public outreach efforts and contains a section on Waste Reduction; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the City of Franklin was named LEED Silver in the LEED for Cities certification program; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the Sustainability Commission identified their top three priority areas in which to focus upcoming work: Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy, Waste Reduction, and Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Commission created the Waste Reduction Policy Guide to establish policy statements and action items pertaining to recycling, reducing litter, promoting existing programs, and evaluating new opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin endorses the attached Waste Reduction Policy Guide and charges the Sustainability Commission to further study the action items to bring forth strategies, as deemed appropriate, for the BOMA to consider in its planning, policymaking, and municipal practices.

IT IS SO RESOLVED AND DONE on this 25th day of Oct., 2022.

ATTEST:

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City Administrator

CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE

By: Dr. Ken Moore
Dr. Ken Moore
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Approved as to Form

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SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

WASTE REDUCTION
POLICY GUIDE

The City of Franklin is committed to minimizing waste in its municipal operations and promoting waste reduction strategies to the community.



POLICY STATEMENTS

1. The City seeks to promote existing waste reduction programs.
2. New opportunities should be evaluated that would further waste reduction efforts.
3. Litter along streets and waterways should be monitored and collected promptly.



ACTION ITEMS

1. Establish landfill diversion improvement objectives in order to measure the effectiveness of all action items.
2. Increase blue bin recycling participation to 75% of eligible households by 2025.
3. Evaluate options to increase recycling of material not included in the Blue Bin Program such as glass and large cardboard.
4. Improve and promote the Batteries, Oil, Paint, Anti-freeze, and Electronics (BOPAE) recycling.
5. Evaluate options for increasing capacity for brown bag processing.
6. Research best practices for municipal food waste composting.
7. Conduct an annual litter survey of roadsides throughout the City and coordinate litter pickups.
8. Conduct annual river and stream litter pickups.

TOTAL CITY OF FRANKLIN WASTE BREAKDOWN

Year	Customers	Tons of Waste	Tons of Recyclables	Tons of BOPAE	Tons of Yard Waste
2021	23,989	23,634	2,790	325	3,159

Yard Waste includes brown bags and brush collection

ACTION ITEMS (Continued)

9. Evaluate municipal procurement of supplies and materials made from recycled materials.
10. Evaluate waste reduction efforts and goods made from recycled materials for the new City Hall project.
11. Utilize social media and conventional media channels to inform residents and businesses about recycling opportunities.
12. Utilize social media, conventional media channels, and potentially signage to discourage roadside littering.
13. Establish a program with local companies to help sustain and support waste diversion efforts.