



MINUTES

Sustainability Working Group Minutes 3/19/24.

Attending: Camille, Jane, Sharon, Brian, Chris, Dave, Ralph

Excused: Ben

Discussion: Reviewed 3/12/24 meeting with Phil, Denis, SNRB members and SWG. “Take homes”: group should focus on offering suggestions useful to City staff preparing new contracts for household waste collection, processing, disposal. These should be conceptual not detailed return-on-investment or other cost-related analyses.

Examples: should Auburn purchase or lease its own trucks for waste collection as an alternative to contracting for automated pick-up; would a hybrid system combining curbside collection with transfer station drop-offs situated in more remote areas be a better model given Auburn’s large geographic area?

Could the report to Council be a list of suggestions/concepts with SWOT analysis and references for further study rather than a narrative replication the 2020 Recycling report, for example?

Actions:

1. Jane will compose a preliminary list of concepts based on our discussion.
2. We will continue gathering data and conducting interviews.
3. Change meetings times to AM and follow every other week schedule.
4. Next meeting April 2, 10AM, Rm 204.