

MEETING WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT OF
THE CITY OF WINDSOR

SUBJECT: RECYCLING IN THE BIA'S

In attendance via Zoom:

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Brandi, coordinator Erie Street BIA

Ettore, president Ottawa Street BIA

- At the moment, the province mandated municipalities to regulate recycling programmes
- Essex County Solid Waste does the work for the city
- Cost of this lies with the producers at 50% and the municipalities at 50%
- The province now has now mandated that producers are responsible for 100% of the cost; they produce the products therefore they are responsible to pay for the recycling of it
- This will be known as Extended Producer Responsibility or "E.P.R."

- It is important for BIA'S representing their merchants to know what is happening because all businesses in the BIA have to be accounted for
- The same boxes will be used; blue boxes, red boxes and cardboard
- September of 2024 is when this recycle programme starts
- All business addresses in each BIA have to be collected for the City of Windsor
- UPDATE: Mike Osborne and Ettore Bonato have gone out to collect all the addresses in the BIA including the possible expansion area to Walker Road
- All addresses collected have the business names on file also
- The addresses are needed for the City to negotiate the best deal possible for collection of recycling with the contractor / the contract which exists now expires November of 2024
- The City of Windsor will continue to pick up cardboard every Wednesday night/Thursday morning as per recycle schedule
- Organic recycling will begin for residences by 2025 and commercial properties will begin 2027

- Special litter bins for this will be available by then, possible yellow in colour
- The BIA's will be contacted when the Environmental Department goes to City Council for approval of funds for this new addition to the budget
- This new additional spending for the City budget could be more than what is paid at the moment for recycle pickup
- The Environmental Department would like to see support in numbers of people at the Council meeting