

MOTION

4. Giveaway

MOVER: Councillor David Cadman

SECONDER: Councillor

WHEREAS:

1. our landfills are nearing capacity with trash;
2. the public is skeptical about incinerating waste, trucking it outside the Lower Mainland or opening new landfills;
3. we have limited focus on reduce and reuse although we talk about zero waste;
4. living in Vancouver is extremely difficult on a limited income;
5. one person's trash is another person's treasure;
6. Municipalities all over North America (Winnipeg, Newmarket, Ottawa, etc.) have successful municipal "giveaway" days which invite neighbours to put out unwanted useable household "treasures" out on the front curb or back lanes for others; and
7. other municipalities are also giving away pre-owned paints, auto and home maintenance products, compost and mulch.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council request that the City Manager report back on the feasibility of a spring, summer and fall monthly neighbourhood giveaway program so that the citizens of Vancouver can recycle household treasures, so that they can be reused thereby reduce the need for landfill or incineration.

Referred

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