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TO: Eileen Donoghue, City Manager *EMD*  
FROM: R. Eric Slagle, Director of Development Services  
DATE: May 19, 2020  
RE: Motion by C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have City Inspectors Address The Trash Being Dumped At The Planet Aid Boxes At St. Hilaire Car Wash And Keep Council Updated Of The Consequences. (2nd Request)

This memorandum addresses the request from Councilor Mercier to address illegal dumping at the clothing donation box at 1682 Middlesex St., St. Hilaire's Car Wash. Approximately 4 years ago, Councilor Mercier did file a motion about this location, which Development Services responded to.

Since that time, the property has a history of staying in compliance for stretches of time, and then experiencing a spike in illegal dumping. We have reached out to both the property owner, and to Planet Aid, the owner of the donation bin to try and work with them on a solution. Unfortunately, they are having a hard time policing this problem site.

As such, we have asked them to remove the dumpster at this time. If they fail to remedy the situation, clean the property and remove the dumpster, then we will refer the issue to the Law Department for a potential enforcement action in court.

Below is a timeline of the issues with the donation dumpster at the property:

1. Summer of 2016 – Complaint leading to intervention and enforcement. The property was brought into compliance.
2. Summer of 2018 – Another complaint, leading to enforcement from Development Services. The property was brought into compliance.
3. June 2019 – Violations at the property leading to \$300 in fines (which have been paid). The property was brought into compliance.
4. January 2020 – Violations against the property led to \$200 in fines, which are still outstanding, though the property was brought into compliance.
5. May 2020 – Current complaints about trash at the donation dumpster leading to \$1,100 in fines (and counting), and the property has not yet been brought into compliance.

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