



Eileen Donoghue
City Manager

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Mayor William J. Samaras
And
Members of the City Council

Re: Ongoing recycling efforts

Dear Mayor Samaras and Members of the City Council:

In recent weeks our solid waste and recycling division, in conjunction with the City Manager's Office and the Law Department, has been reviewing and identifying changes to our current enforcement action with respect to recycling. In addition to immediately increasing inspections and citations, consideration has been given to providing resident with additional recycling education. To that end, one approach currently being considered is to waive the first violation if the resident attends a recycling class. We have also been reviewing an issue raised by the Council relative to the rates and bin sizes offered to senior citizens.

Any of these changes would require amending the Ordinance and current Fee Structure. Accordingly, we are looking for direction from the Council as to these and other issues either through further study at subcommittee level or via discussion with the Council as a whole.

Very truly yours,

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

cc: Christine P. O'Connor, City Solicitor
Kara Keefe Mullin, Assistant City Manager
Jim Donison, Commissioner DPW
Gunther Wellenstein, Recycling Coordinator