

# City Works 101: Sustainability Service Area







7:35 - 7:45 **SSA Overview** 

7:45 - 8:20 Economic Health

8:20 - 8:55 Environmental Services





# WHAT

Sustainability?



# Sustainability Services History

#### 2011

- New position to heighten sustainability focus
- Bruce Hendee named as CSO; Sustainability Services Area formed

#### 2012

- Environmental Services (from Natural Resources)
- Economic Health (from Finance)
- Social Sustainability (from programs in Advance Planning)

#### 2013

City receives TLG Innovation Award for new division

#### 2015

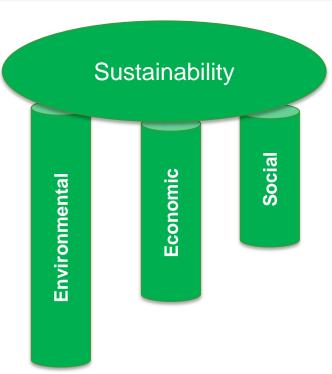
Jackie Kozak Thiel named CSO





# The Three Legged Stool







#### Track Record

- 1973 First sales tax to support open space
- 1992 City Framework for Environmental Action
- 1994 Air Quality Policy
- 1995 Pay-As-You-Throw
- 1998 First to offer voluntary wind subscription
- 1999 Waste Diversion Goals
- 1999 Climate Action Goals
- 2003 First Energy Policy
- 2006 Municipal Sustainability Plan
- 2007 Roadmap for Green Building
- 2015 Updated Climate Action Goals
- 2016 Community Recycling Ordinance





#### Track Record

2004 - Economic Vitality and Sustainability Action Plan

2005 - first Economic Health Strategic Plan adopted

2009 - Economic Health Office formed

2012 - Economic Health Strategic Plan updated

2018 - City as a Platform Recommendations

2005 – Housing Affordability Index Model

2010 – Affordable Housing Strategic Plan

2012 - Social Sustainability Department formed

2014 – Social Sustainability Gaps Analysis

2015 – Affordable Housing Strategic Plan updated





# Community Outcome Areas

Neighborhood **Livability and Social Health** 

**Economic Health** 

**Safe Community** 

High **Performing** Government















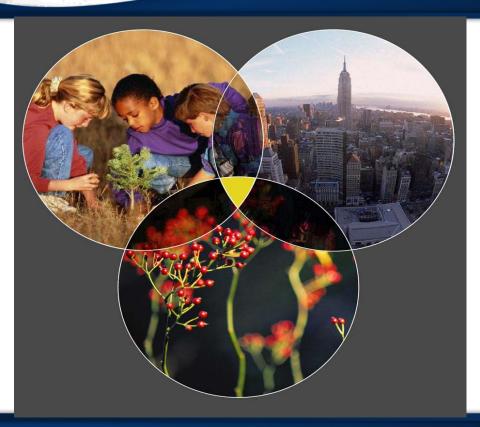




**Transportation** 



# Triple Bottom Line Approach (TBL)

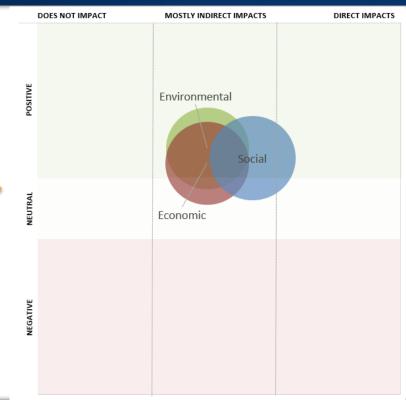


- A systems approach
- Optimizing outcomes
- Setting the stage for continued success – health & resiliency
- Long-term viewpoint



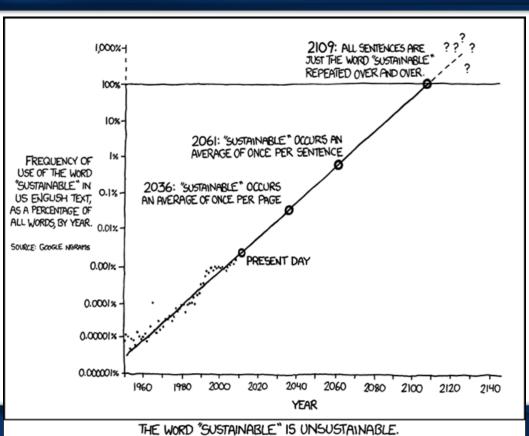
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To what	ENV 6	To what extent could this project impact outdoor air quality and/or indoor air quality?					
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SS 5 P	ENV 10	To what extent will this project promote environmental sustainability at local, regional, state, and/or national levels?					
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AF	ECON 2	To what extent could this project impact the city's community brand and identity?					
\	JOBS AND WORKFORCE						
}	ECON 3	To what extent could this project impact the skills, training, and job diversity of the local workforce?					
	ECON 4	To what extent could this project impact costs of living in the community?					
	ECON 5	To what extent could this project impact the attraction or retention of talent in our community?					
	ECON 6	To what extent could this project impact job wages or benefits in Fort Collins?					
	INFRASTRU	UCTURE AND INVESTMENT					
	ECON 7	To what extent could this project impact the City's ability to meet future infrastructure needs?					
	ECON 8	To what extent could this project impact infill and redevelopment?					

# Triple Bottom Line Scan





#### Metrics are Critical for Success

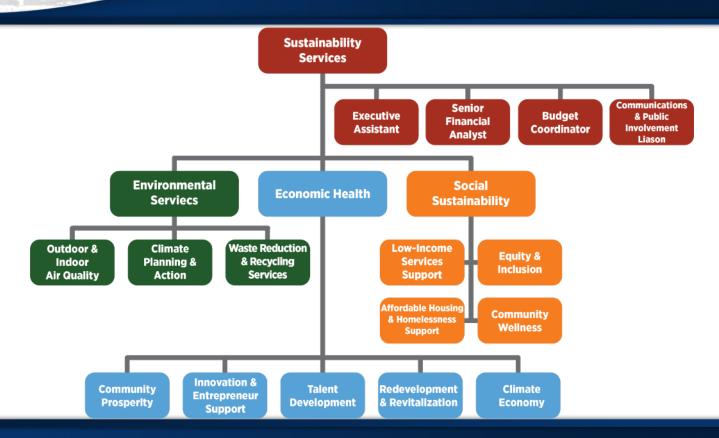


"For sustainability to have any meaning, it must be tied to clear and rigorous definitions, milestones and metrics."

http://fortcollins.clearpointstrategy.com/

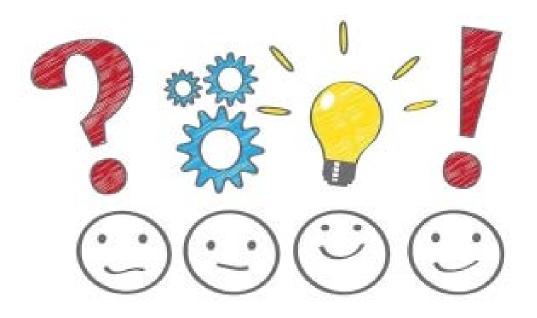


# Sustainability Services Area

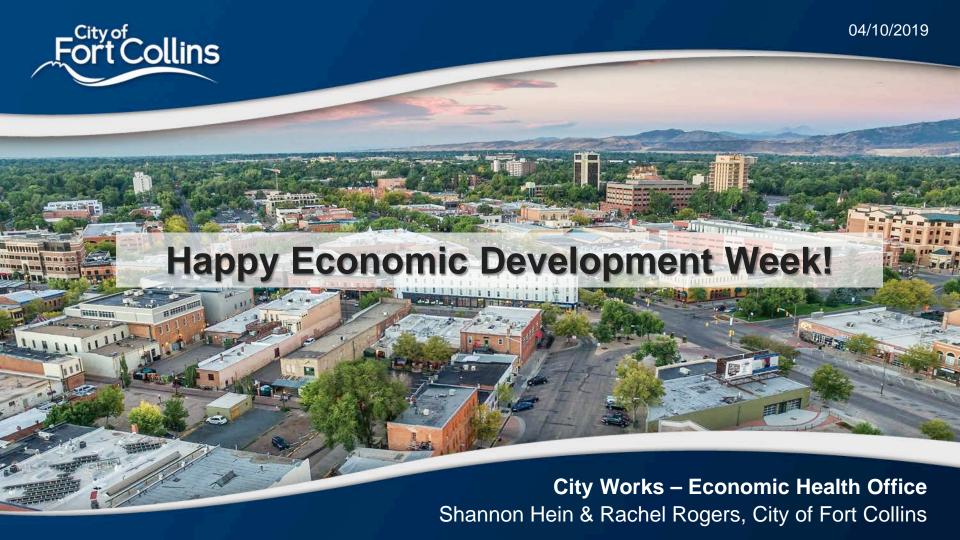








Next up: Economic Health

















# CATION-FAMILY STRENGHTENIN SERVICES OFFIC







# Vision: Promote a healthy sustainable economy reflecting community values.

SMART

FUN

\*Taken from the City of Fort Collins Strategic Plan, 2018

Mission: We help shape a resilient economic future.





#### **EHO Outcome Areas**



#### Innovation Ecosystem

New economic activity is generated through a system of stakeholder collaboration in Fort Collins.



#### **Business Engagement**

Businesses have a positive relationship with the City and actively work to build a better Fort Collins.



### Redevelopment

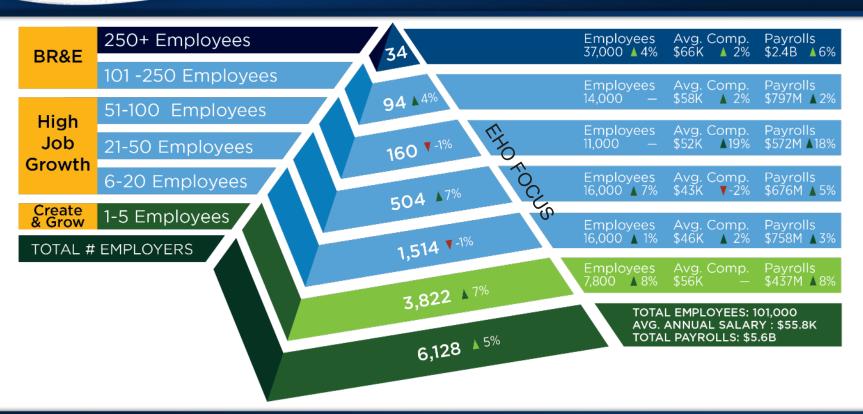
Sustainable redevelopment is best practice in Fort Collins

EHO BHAG: By 2030, Fort Collins will be 40 percent more resilient (Community Level Indicators- Resiliency Index)



#### **Economic Makeup**

2017 EMPLOYER/EMPLOYEE MATRIX





### Top 10 Employers

#### Fort Collins Top 10 Employers





# Fort Collins / Regional Trends

#### **Employment**

 Job growth is strong, but underemployment is a concern

#### Housing

- 75 more homes sold in 2019 than 2018
   YTD
- Starting to see some stabilizing and pricing

#### **Labor Market**

- Tight labor market
- Job growth outpacing workforce growth





# Fort Collins /Regional Trends

#### **Development**

 Infill and redevelopment activity increasing

#### **Local Economy**

 Education and healthcare remain dominant

#### Wages

Average growing, but median stagnant to decreasing



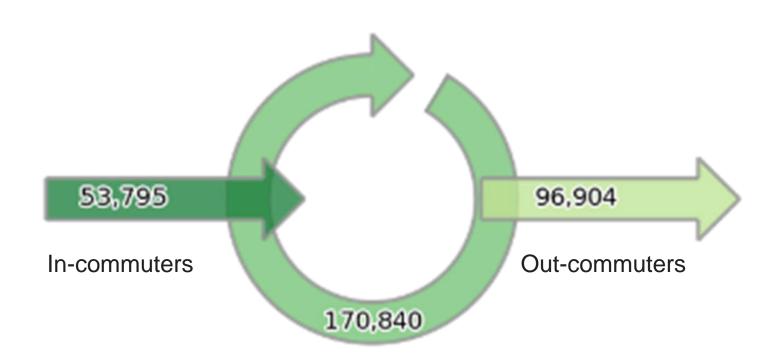


# Regional Workforce Report





#### Northern Colorado Labor Shed





# **Business Surveys**







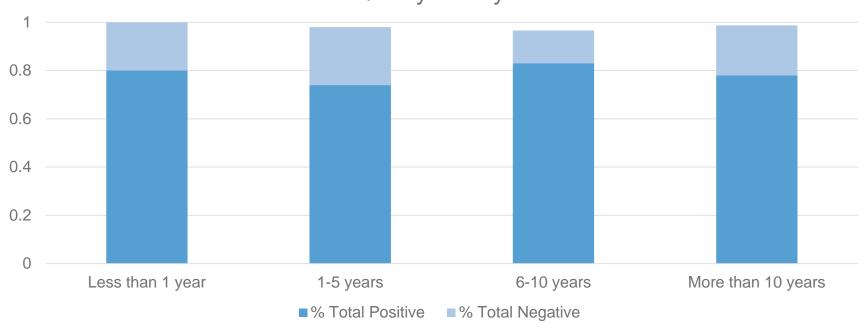


National Business Survey (NBS)	Fort Collins businesses	4,633 businesses	506 completed, response rate of 12%
Small Business Needs Assessment	100 or fewer employees	2,000 randomly selected	194 completed, response rate of 11%
Utilities Survey (phone)	Small/Medium Commercial	2,651 randomly selected	205 completed, response rate of 12%
Community Survey	Residents/Students	3,700 randomly selected	747 completed, response rate of 21%



# **Business Perspective**

#### Overall Quality of City Services





# What Are All These Surveys Telling Us

#### **Businesses:**

- ☐ Identified Safety, Economy and Mobility\* as priorities for the upcoming two years
- Wish to engage more with the City
- Don't anticipate relocating out of the area
- ☐ Talent and workforce continue to be a priority

Business Retention and Expansion
Annual Report 2018







#### **NBS - Economic Health**

# Q: Please rate the following categories of Fort Collins government performance.

	Percent rating positively (e.g., excellent/good)	
	2018	2017
The job Fort Collins does <i>informing</i> businesses of community issues and values	57%	54%
The job Fort Collins government does at welcoming business involvement	48%	51%
Overall confidence in Fort Collins government	59%	54%
The job Fort Collins does at <i>retaining existing</i> businesses	48%	50%
The job Fort Collins does at attracting new businesses	57%	57%
The job Fort Collins does at <i>supporting or creating new jobs</i>	47%	50%

How do we fix perception of City's rolelgoals in economic health?



# Comparison Community and NBS Survey

	Residents	Businesses
Overall quality of life	87%	92%
Fort Collins as a place to work	73%	90%
Fort Collins as a place to retire	71%	69%
Police Services Overall	72%	90%
Visual Attractiveness	88%	95%
Ease of Transportation – Walking	61%	87%
Welcoming Resident/Business Involvement	61%	48%



### Where do we go from here?

# Desire to engage

- Business engagement guides for departments
- ☐ Convene survey participants and focus groups
- Council district profiles and engagement plans

#### Communication

- Storytelling
- Incorporate businesses into outreach tools
- Communication plan with our partners
- Road shows and feedback

# Access training & dev

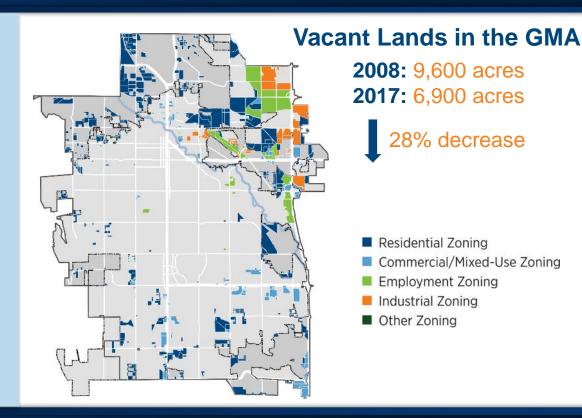
- Work with partner organizations to develop/communicate programming
- ☐ Launch Revolving Loan Fund
- □ Customer Service Training



#### Buildout & Development

#### **Key Trends:**

- Vacant lands in GMA diminishing
- Redevelopment more important to community growth
- Estimated population capacity of the GMA is 250,000





### **Development Activity**

#### Type of Development

- Single-Family Detached
- Single-Family Attached/Multifamily
- Commercial
- Mixed-Use

#### **City Plan Development Areas**



Activity Centers



Targeted Redevelopment Areas



Downtown

Downtow

Colorado State University

3 North College

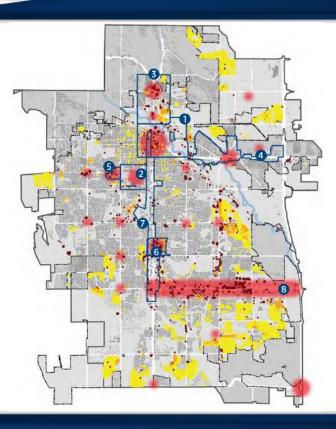
4 East Mulberry Corridor

G Campus West

6 Foothills Mall

Midtown Corridor

8 Harmony Corridor



- Most new development occurred at the community periphery on vacant lands
- 22% of new residential units were constructed in targeted infill & redevelopment areas



### (Re) development





### The Drake at Midtown



- Improved intersections
- Compelling public spaces
- Improved pedestrian connections



### The Drake at Midtown

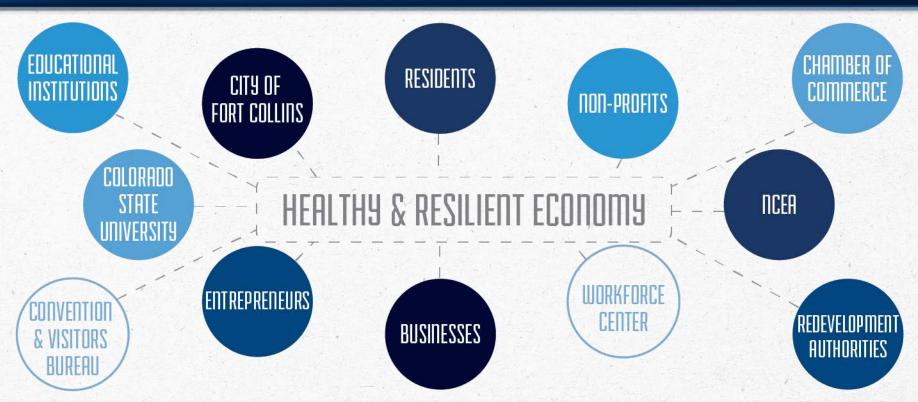


### Incorporating Midtown plan and MAX use:

- Building orientation toward streets
- Grand promenade
- Catalyst/economic generator
- Max Line connectivity



### It's a Team Sport







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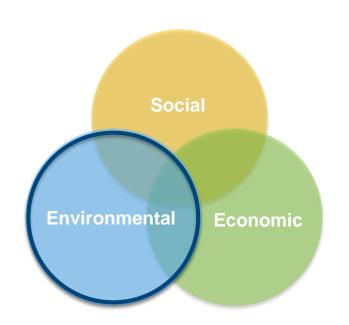




### **Environmental Services Department**

**AIR QUALITY** 

**CLIMATE** 



WASTE
REDUCTION
&
RECYCLING



### **Environmental Services Programs**

















### Climate Program



Using the City as a platform to reduce community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions

- GHGs:
  - Gases in the atmosphere that can absorb and emit heat
- How do we impact GHGs?
  - Fossil fuel combustion
  - Waste Generation (decomposition of organic materials)



### Climate Program

### Climate Action PLAN

- By 2020
  - Reduce carbon levels by 20%
    - 2005 Baseline
- By 2030
  - By 80%
- By 2050
  - Carbon Neutral



### Climate Action PLAN

#### City of Fort Collins Climate Dashboard

Welcome to the Fort Collins Climate Dashboard, a snapshot of the community's progress toward reducing carbon emissions. The City organization tracks emissions annually using 2005 as a baseline year. The community aims to reduce carbon 20 percent below 2005 levels by 2020 and 80 percent by 2030 with the goal of being carbon neutral by 2050. As of 2017, the community had reduced emissions 17 percent -- more than halfway to the 2020 goal. To learn more about the our progress toward these goals, sign up for our Climate Action newsletter



#### **Environmental Indicators**

Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory

(-17%)

#### Down 17% since 2005

Down 34% per capita since 2005 Last updated 10.9.18



CAP Dashboard: https://ftcollinscap.clearpointstrategy.com/



### Climate Program Investments = Results

### NEW CITY INVESTMENTS



### **OVERALL IMPACT**





2016 & 2017 ENERGY EFFICIENCY SAVINGS ALONE ~ 7500 HOMES



INCREASED
MOMENTUM
FROM PLATTE
RIVER AND
PARTNER CITIES



### Take 2 Program

 Save \$\$ and Emissions

Spark community action

 Raise awareness of Climate Action
 Plan



AND when you do we will (while supplies last):

- . Email you a FREE Day Pass to the Taste of Fort Collins
- . Give you four LED lights to make the switch







### Launched on Earth Day







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### Air Quality Program

### **Outdoor Air**

- Ozone & particulates
- Wood smoke
- Oil and gas
- Fugitive Dust
- Mower rebates
- Idling

### **Indoor Air**

- Healthy Homes
- Radon
- Zero Interest Loans

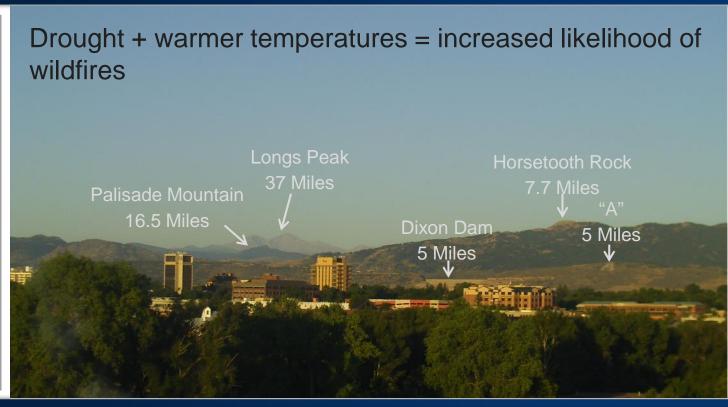






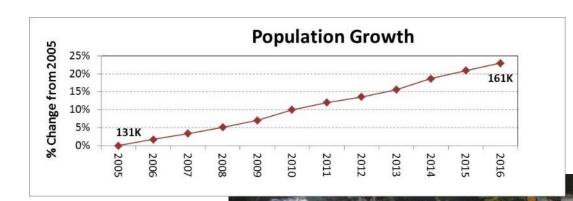
### Air Quality and Health

Air Quality	Visibility (miles)
Good	≥ 10 miles
Moderate	5-10
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	3-5
Unhealthy	1.5 - 3
Very Unhealthy	1 – 1.5
Hazardous	≤1





### Air Quality Challenges



Regional O&G Wells

Fort Collins



### Monitoring site preview coming in 2018



### "Village Green" Monitoring site/exhibit

- Ozone and meteorology
- Ozone sensitive plants
- Solar powered



**Ozone-damaged Aspen leaves** 





### Indoor Air Quality Radon

- Leading cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers
- Second highest among smokers
- EPA estimates
   21,000 deaths per
   year in U.S.
   associated with
   radon







### Waste Reduction & Recycling

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#### **Zero Waste Plan**

- Increase Access to Recycling
- Reduce Organics in Landfills
- Improve Regional Cooperation
- Provide Education & Outreach





- Infrastructure
  - Timberline Recycling Center
- Education & Outreach
  - Recycling information / education
  - Programs to improve systems
- Policy & Planning





### Timberline Recycling Center 1903 S. Timberline Rd.





### Timberline Recycling Center

### **Everyday Recyclables Yard**



### Hard-to-Recycle Yard \$5 Entry







### **Education & Outreach**

### A-Z RECYCLING LIST Fcgov.com/A-Z

- Fcgov.com/recycling
- Save Your Food
- Videos
- Events
- Recycling Ambassadors



#### For Businesses:





### Policy & Planning

### **Ordinances**

- Cardboard & E-waste banned from trash
- Construction & Demolition Rules
- Pay-as-You Throw
- Community Recycling Ordinance

### **Planning**

Regional Wasteshed







- 1) Recycling service included with trash service (cost embedded)
- 2) Trash pricing based on volume of trash can subscription
  - 100% price difference

Trash Less
SAVE \$\$\$









### Community Recycling Ordinance

### Recycling Required to be Part of Service by end of 2020 for businesses and apartment complexes







### Regional Wasteshed Project













- No taxpayer funding for projects
- Divert more from landfill









# Let's Put Your Recycling Knowledge To the Test

Can you Recycle Right?









#### PLASTIC BOTTLES, TUBS & PAPER CARTONS



#### CARDBOARD & PAPER





OF CURBSIDE RECYCLING









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