

City of Concord, New Hampshire

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

TO:

Members of City Council

FROM:

Mayor Bouley

DATE:

June 15, 2023

RE:

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Appointments

I propose the appointment of the following individuals to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, as General Public Representatives, for three-year terms to expire July 31, 2026.

- Reagan Bissonnette, 103 School Street, Unit 4, Concord. Reagan Bissonnette's letter of interest is attached.
- Judith Kurtz, 10 Ridge Road, Concord. Judith Kurtz is a Concord resident and Vice President of Concord Greenspace (CG3). She's an educator and library media specialist with a lifelong interest in waste diversion and climate change.

In accordance with Section 18 of the City Council Rules, these proposed appointments are being distributed to City Council as information in advance of formal action at the July 10, 2023 City Council meeting.

Keith Nyhan, Chair Solid Waste Advisory Committee City of Concord, NH

RE: Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Dear Chair Nyhan:

I am writing to express my interest in joining the Solid Waste Advisory Committee as a General Public Representative. I have followed with interest the recent work of the Committee, and both Zandra Rice Hawkins and Eric Steinhauser have spoken favorably about their participation. I am a resident in Concord and believe my professional experience with municipal recycling and waste reduction would be beneficial to the Committee and the City of Concord.

While I would join the Committee in my personal capacity as a resident of Concord, I have experience in the field of waste management and waste reduction as the Executive Director of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA). NRRA is the oldest and largest cooperative-model recycling nonprofit in the United States and partners with over 450 municipalities, businesses, and individuals throughout New England. NRRA enables communities to manage their own recycling programs by connecting them with end markets for recyclables. As the Executive Director of NRRA, I speak and write regularly about municipal recycling and waste reduction. I also serve with Eric Steinhauser on the New Hampshire Solid Waste Working Group, which is responsible for assisting the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) with solid waste planning and policy initiatives. I am also certified as a Principal Operator through the NHDES Solid Waste Facility Operator Training and Certification Program.

I love living in Concord and would appreciate the opportunity to serve the City as a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Reagan Bissonnette 103 School St, Unit 4

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