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A quick survey, just to get the discussion started.



Survey on Single Stream Recycling and Recycle Bank

The issue: The City Council agreed to reconsider a vote on whether or not to provide an additional \$107,000 to Recycle Ann Arbor. That vote is supposed to take place on **Thursday, August 4.**

City staff members have been answering questions about Recycle Bank and Recycle Ann Arbor's budget and about the success of single stream recycling. Some things seems clear to me:

1. The City is receiving more recyclables due to a combination of Single Stream and new contracts with other municipalities, who bring their recyclables here to our Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).
2. Many people don't use RecycleBank coupons.
3. The link between RecycleBank and any increase in recycling isn't clear.

I'd like to learn what your experiences are with recycling in Ann Arbor. Here's a very quick survey:

[Survey](#)

Here's a link to an article in [Ann Arbor.com](#), and one to a different article in [The Ann Arbor Chronicle](#).

I'll be sending an update on the Agenda and other issues (safety, Fuller Road Station) by tomorrow. But the [survey](#) has a deadline: for it to be useful to members of Council (and

me!) I'll need to tabulate all responses on Wednesday. The survey closes at midnight,

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Coffee or breakfast?

I'll be holding office hours as usual on Monday, August 1 -- at the Northside Grill between 7:30 am and 9:00 am.

Stop by. Let's talk!

(Caucus is cancelled this week, so folks can concentrate on the primary election.)

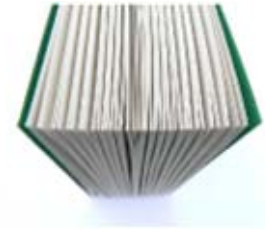


Survey this!

Maybe you think your **opinions don't really matter**. Maybe you think that, every time I invite you to take a survey, the information I receive is so much hot air.

Not.

I share your opinions with members of Council and others around the City -- and I share them back to you. What you tell me helps me change others' minds. I'm grateful for your participation.



What am I reading?

The Trouble with City Planning, by Kristina Ford

(It's not really about New Orleans; it's about the failure to actually pay attention to residents and their needs when planning cities.)

Getting to Yes, by Roger Fisher (a re-read)
(negotiating from strength - subtitle: Negotiating Agreement without Giving In)

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