



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Winstead and City Councilmembers

FROM: Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: June 10, 2014

RE: Documents received at 6/9/14 Council Meeting

CC: Debbie Tarry, City Manager
John Norris, Assistant City Manager

Attached hereto are documents received from the public at the June 9, 2014 City Council Business Meeting.

- 1) Public comment regarding TruGreen Landcare Contract by Nancy Morris, Shoreline Resident.



Regards: Tim Green Lovell
Green Choices. Healthy Communities.

EnviroStars Application/Worksheet Landscapers & Nurseries BECOME AN ENVIROSTARS CERTIFIED BUSINESS

Program Requirements

- You do not generate large quantities of hazardous waste. (For example, waste related to chemicals, solvents, cleaners, pesticides, coatings, acids, caustics, and metals.)
- You set a goal to reduce hazardous materials/waste and improve practices.
- You receive a site visit from an EnviroStars representative to verify that you meet qualification standards.

Rating System

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To earn **2-Stars**, you must properly manage all wastes and outline a plan for reducing waste and hazardous materials.

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To earn **3-Stars**, you must have routine, on-going systems in place to reclaim and/or properly manage all materials and wastes, and for going beyond compliance.

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To earn **4-Stars**, you must inform customers and the public about your commitment to environmentally responsible practices and demonstrate you have eliminated hazardous materials and wastes.

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To earn **5-Stars**, you must show environment-related leadership among peers within your industry and/or the community, have a solid waste reduction program, and implement measures to save energy, protect air and water quality, and incorporate a broad array of "greener" business practices.

Renewal

You must renew your EnviroStars status by demonstrating how you've made progress towards achieving your stated goal(s). With renewal, you are able to continue using the EnviroStars logo. Continue to improve upon your "green business" practices and you may earn more stars and more recognition. We will contact you for periodic review visits.

Benefits

- Create safer, healthier work environment
- Save on disposal and material costs
- Attract new customers
- Improve staff retention & awareness
- Increase efficiencies in operations
- Reduce liability from property contamination and accidents

The EnviroStars window decal, logo, and certificate help you communicate your commitment to protect the environment. More proactive efforts to reduce hazardous materials and waste may result in additional recognition:

- Highlights in radio advertisements
- Profiles in local newspapers
- Achievement award nominations
- Website listings and links

How to Apply

Tell us how you have reduced hazardous materials, emissions and waste at your business, and which greener practices are in place. Give examples and describe your practices for each section in this worksheet. Decide what you will do to add to your efforts for the coming year and set a goal to increase environmentally responsible practices. Attach additional sheets if needed.

Be sure to keep a copy for yourself.

Contact your county's EnviroStars representative listed on page 2 for a certification visit. On-site consultants can go through the worksheet with you in person while checking your business policies and practices.

Send the completed worksheet to your county's EnviroStars program (address on page 2) or give it to the on-site consultant during their visit to your business.

The Precautionary Principle

“The precautionary principle applies where scientific evidence is insufficient, inconclusive or uncertain and preliminary scientific evaluation indicates that there are reasonable grounds for concern that the potentially dangerous effects on the environment, human, animal or plant health may be inconsistent with the high level of protection chosen.”

European Commission Communication on the Precautionary Principle
2nd February 2000