



Culture, Commerce and Community in the Heart of Pasadena

December 17, 2014

Honorable Mayor Bogaard & City Council Members
City of Pasadena
100 N Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91109

Subject: New Standards for Recycling Facilities

Dear Honorable Mayor Bogaard & City Council Members:

The Playhouse District Association Board of Directors has discussed and voted to support measures to place new regulations on recycling facilities which will reduce the negative impacts of the centers in Pasadena neighborhoods and in the Playhouse District.

The Playhouse District Board of Directors is supportive of the types of regulations proposed by staff which would do the following:

- Separating the recycling facilities from the public right-of-way with a distance requirement.
- Maintaining vehicular and pedestrian circulation when placing a recycling facility in the parking lot.
- Listing the owner/operators identification on the exterior of the recycling facility.
- Regulating the collection bin materials, storage, and maintenance.
- Restricting the outdoor signage for the recycling centers.
- Requiring a minimum of one refuse bin to be placed near recycling facility dedicated for trash only.
- Listing of the allowed recyclable materials and presorting requirements.
- Proper disposing and storage of liquids to insure waste fluids do not enter storm drains or gutters.
- Requiring all existing facilities to conform with the regulations of the new recycling facilities standards.

The PDA is in favor of new standards for recycling facilities. This action to clean up a use that has been mostly unregulated and has at times, created a neighborhood nuisance would increase the quality of life in the Playhouse District and other Pasadena neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Chu", with a horizontal line underneath.

William Chu
Chair

cc: Michael Beck, City Manager
Vince Bertoni, Planning Director
Mark Jomsky, City Clerk