

General Committee March 19, 2024

Item 11 Notice of Motion

Item 11.1 Blue Box End of Life Management

Whereas under Ontario Regulation 391/2, Blue Box producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

And Whereas 'ineligible' sources, which producers are not responsible for, include business improvement areas, places of worship, daycares, camp grounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

And Whereas should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the City of Markham hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21, Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources as stated above;

And further that Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities;

And that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Leader of the opposition, Leaders of the Liberal and Green Parties and all City of Markham MPP's; and,

That a copy of this Motion to be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).