



Village Independent Democrats
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Curbside Composting Pickup Resolution – April 13, 2017

VID agrees with the New York City Department of Sanitation program for collecting food scraps, spoiled food, food-soiled paper, and yard trimmings and plants – collectively known as organics or organic waste. This waste comprising almost one-third of the waste that the NYC Department of Sanitation collects when composted can enrich and not damage our environment, as well as saving the City money on landfill costs. New York City will be contributing to the "zero waste" to landfills by 2030 policy.

Resolution Regarding Composting Pickup for New York City

Whereas, composting will help the city achieve its “Zero Waste” goal.”

Whereas, reuse and recycle is the best way to keep waste from landfills.”

Whereas, the DSNY organics collection program currently serves more than 270,000 households in all five boroughs and is expanding to include additional neighborhoods over the next several years.”

Whereas, curbside program helps NYC reduce waste sent to costly landfills, deters pests by storing food waste in special rodent-resistant bins, and creates compost (a natural soil amendment) or renewable energy.”

Whereas, composting waste can save money for the city it can also be less costly than landfill trash.”

Whereas, there are no Manhattan neighborhoods participating in the City’s curbside composting program and we feel that Community Board 2 Manhattan meets the characteristics for this program.”

Therefore be it Resolved that the Village Independent Democrats:

Therefore the Village Independent Democrats urges Community Board 2 to explore participation of the district in the City’s curbside collection of organic waste program;

Therefore the Village Independent Democrats urges Kathryn Garcia, Commissioner New York City Department of Sanitation as she has stated, to enhance organic waste as a resource;

Therefore the Village Independent Democrats urges our City Council representative Corey Johnson, Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer, New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio to support curbside compost pickup in Community Board 2.