



# City of Chicago



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**Title:** Call for hearing(s) on status of recycling contracts with Waste Management and Management Midwest (Sims) and criteria used to determine winner of Blue Cart Recycling Services Managed Competition

**Committee(s) Assignment:** Committee on Finance

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, in March and July of this year the contracts between the City of Chicago and Waste Management and Management Midwest (Sims), respectively expired, and;

**WHEREAS**, it is unclear which company won the Blue Cart Recycling Services Managed Competition, and;

**WHEREAS**, no criteria for determining success of the Managed Competition has been provided through the City of Chicago or the companies, and;

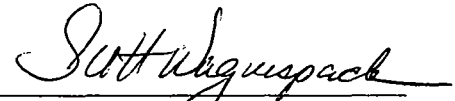
**WHEREAS**, during this managed competition contract the diversion rates, which measure how much recyclable material is diverted from landfills, have continued to decrease, falling to less than 10%, and;

**WHEREAS**, more than 22 million pounds of plastic are dumped into the Great Lakes every year, and;

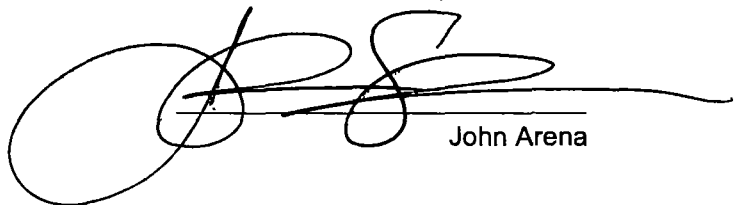
**WHEREAS**, several other major cities including New York, Minneapolis, Washington D.C. and Boston have implemented zero waste programs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that hearings be held before the Committee on Finance of the Chicago City Council on the following issues:

- The status of the contracts between the City of Chicago and the aforementioned companies,
- The state and efficacy of recycling in Chicago at large,
- Which company has "won" the "Managed Competition" and how that was determined, and
- Any other related matters necessary to the dissemination of information regarding recycling contracts in the City of Chicago.



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