

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2020-700

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Salem

**Date of Introduction:** November 24, 2020

**Committee(s) of Reference:** NCSPHS, TEU

**Date of Analysis:** November 25, 2020

**Type of Action:** Ordinance Code amendment

**Bill Summary:** The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 380 – Solid Waste Management – in Part 5 – Recycling Program – to create a requirement for the Director of Public Works to make an annual report the City Council on the activities taking place in the recycling program for the previous year. It provides that the Transportation, Energy and Utilities Committee shall review the annual report and may take legislative action to address recycling conditions contained within the annual report, as appropriate.

**Background Information:** The new section requires that the annual report to the Council contain the following elements: 1) all efforts undertaken by the City during the prior fiscal year to establish recycling of all materials that are financially attainable in the City; 2) the number of written complaints pertaining to the recycling program submitted to the City during the prior fiscal year; 3) the statistics as to the number of materials recycled broken out by different types (glass, plastic, paper, metals, etc.); 4) the collaborative efforts undertaken by the City with third parties, such as the Duval County School Board, to maintain recycling in the City; 5) the public education efforts undertaken by the City to encourage the recycling of materials which are financially feasible within the City; 6) the financial performance of recycling (revenue from material sales, costs for collection and processing, costs avoided by diverting materials from the landfill, etc.); 7) the performance standards utilized by the City to measure compliance with this Part and with standards for recycling in City contracts; 8) recommendations for improvement to the recycling program; 9) certification that the City is using the best practices in its recycling program; and 10) any other information requested by Council, or considered significant by the Director.

**Policy Impact Area:** Recycling operations

**Fiscal Impact:** None directly from this bill.

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