

Juneau Commission on Sustainability (JCOS)
Solid Waste Subcommittee
Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 12:00 p.m. (Noon) Zoom

- 1. Call to Order**
12:02pm
- 2. Land Acknowledgement**
- 3. Roll Call**
Solid Waste Subcommittee: Nick Waldo (chair), Marian Call, Jessie Barker
Other JCOS: Gretchen Keiser
CBJ: Dianna Robinson, Denise Koch
A quorum was present
- 4. Approval of Agenda**
Approved
- 5. Approval of Minutes**
Approved
- 6. Public Participation**
Dan Hysell (Southeast Alaska Land Trust), Zach Gianotti (DEC)
- 7. Agenda Topics**

a. Zero waste planning memo

Waste characterization study: purpose is to know what is being thrown away, then we can figure out who is doing this. What is JCOS' role? Marian: as CBJ Assembly membership shifts, we can ensure continuity. Denise: ultimately JCOS' role is advising the assembly. We need to be cautious about JCOS talking directly to stakeholders such as restaurants. Gretchen: may be opportunities for public education.

Jessie: we can plan hypothetical behavior change, but we need to know the results of the characterization study to make concrete plans. Dianna: probably food waste will be the largest category. We do have existing waste diversion programs that could use a boost, especially cardboard recycling, household hazardous waste.

When can we make recommendations to Assembly? Fourth quarter. New assembly in October, then they have their retreat mid/late November or December. Also in the fall: zero waste subdivision, capital improvement projects. In the meantime we can put more on the JCOS website about actions that individuals can take. Ask public information officer to do a blurb.

Action items: 1) Work towards fall recommendations to the assembly – bring ideas for this to the next meeting. 2) Bring ideas for individual actions to put on JCOS' website.

b. Food waste behavior change discussion

Mostly covered above. Dianna has applied for funding for a contractor to run a behavior change campaign – pending. Zach: [Skagway](#) has a Solid Waste Advisory Committee - may help spark ideas.

8. Information Items

None

9. Committee/Liaison Comments and Questions

None

10. Next Meetings

August 22, 2023

11. Adjournment

12:58pm