

# **Business Recognition and Education**

Item 7.5

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### **Program Review**

As part of the 2020 Solid Waste Management Master Plan update, staff have been working to determine a new program to increase waste diversion and knowledge of best practices at Hamilton businesses

- 10 businesses agreed to be interviewed on recognition and education:
  - Majority (eight) said they were interested in a recognition program
    with (seven) wanting to be publicly recognized, i.e. on social media,
    other responses that received single votes included financial rebates
    and City small business grants
  - Seven asked for assistance with waste audits, five asked for access to educational material and training and four asked for networking opportunities with other environmentally conscious businesses



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#### **Next Steps**

- Staff will work on designing a program for businesses that addresses the wants that were provided
- Education will include providing alternatives to single-use plastics

