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Side note: The consultant that wrote that report I believe profited some tax dollars- assuming they are payed partly by the number of pages, because it was too long and wordy.

I feel the strategies are good but may need to be more aggressive.

Add an 'Ordinance' for no plastic bags to carry your goods in. An 'Ordinance' for NO Styrofoam cups or food containers!! It has to be an 'ordinance' because even that takes for ever for it to take affect and become a normal expectation. The majority are not going to volunteer to do it due to expense and an ordinance makes it for everyone then. Industries are having an added cost equally, all of them.

Plastic bags are everywhere this has been worked on for years with minimal to zero reduction. Then in the trash are numerous plastic trash bags holding the trash. Look at the bags leaving Walmart & Cub- 2 items in a bag , its crazy.

I don't know how you will motivate people to recycle- I manage the weekly trash and recycle containers at an apartment and there is minimal recycling done. Trash containers have; spray paint, solvents, cleaners, clothes, tools, toys, Food all thrown in the trash. I have signs up I have spoken to them, with no change. I hear "I don't have time to bring it to the goodwill", "I'm not driving way over there to the hazard collection", "Yeah sure I'll recycle".

That is were increasing reduction using 'ordinances' needs to start at the front end, before it gets to the consumer.