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To: [SWICC](#)
Subject: [External sender]comment on Ridwell Inc. [#2]
Date: Monday, March 18, 2024 7:51:58 AM

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Address	[REDACTED] N Atlantic Ave
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97217
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Ridwell is great. Their conscientious approach towards recycling and sustainability is admirable. Granting their license is a no brainer

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	Jennings Lodge
	OR
Zip code *	97267
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Grant the license. AND TELL CLACKAMAS COUNTY TO STOP THEIR STUPID EFFORTS TO PRETEND THEY SUPPORT RECYCLING AND REUSE. LET - NO EMBRACE- RIDWELL AND REOPEN SERVICES TO UNINCORPORATED CLACKAMAS COUNTY. NOW!

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Name

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Address

[REDACTED] Becket St

Lake Oswego

OR

Zip code *

97035

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

RIDWELL offers a service that fills an important niche in the local recycling market. My family has received excellent service at our curb and education about recycling. Their permit request should be approved.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] SW Cherryhill Dr
	Beaverton
	OR
Zip code *	97008
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	I use Ridwell and would advocate for granting this permit

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Email *

[REDACTED]

Name

[REDACTED]

Address

[REDACTED] SW 105TH AVE

Beaverton

Oregon

Zip code *

97008

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I believe giving Ridwell a place to sort their recyclables will be very beneficial to them. I use Ridwell & James recycling for all the items that Metro does not take. By giving them a sorting center hopefully it will reduce their carbon footprint by having vehicles driving less.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] N VANCOUVER AVE
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97217

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

Recycling is a scam, and Ridwell is nothing more than a wishcycling propagandist selling doorstep flair to affluent soccer moms. They are actively hurting the environmental movement.

Ridwell is the worst of recyclers because they will force just about anything you would send them into a recycling process, at great environmental expense. Metal, paper, and food waste are the only materials that should be collected for any kind of recycling. Metal and food waste are the only materials truly recycled – paper can only be downcycled – and any other materials that currently exists in our recycling paradigm are more environmental burden than benefit. That's why Ridwell – and other "recyclers" have to charge for their service – the net negative effect of their recycling costs money; costs energy; costs water. They need money to pay for processing undesirable materials whose raw extraction and manufacturing require less money/energy/water to make new materials. But 40 years of delusional recycling education has led us to morally questionable businesses like Ridwell who deceive us that recycling is a way forward.

Climate change is the single biggest threat to the environment, but recycling is the single biggest threat to environmental stewardship. We have peer reviewed studies and evidence that show recycling has minimal, if any, positive impact against climate change. Every moment spent on recycling is a moment lost from saving the environment. Comprehensive recycling is four times less effective than a plant-based diet at mitigating per capita green house gas emissions. A family that chooses to have one fewer child would provide the same level of emissions reductions as 684 teenagers who choose to adopt comprehensive recycling for the rest of their lives!

Ridwell is a fraud that sells the illusion of environmental stewardship under the guise of recycling. Their actions result in a net negative to the environment in order for their customers to feel good about fulfilling their environmental duty. As such, people who participate in Ridwell and Ridwell-like programs are less inclined to take any meaningful action to mitigate real environmental problems in

our community. Ridwell has no place in our community.

I vote no.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] SE Tibbetts Street
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97202

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I am very much in favor of this application. I do not have a car and it is difficult for me to get used clothes to Goodwill. They also recycle a number of products that are specialty items that are difficult to get to the various entities to have that done. That includes styrofoam, batteries, multi-layer plastic (which is almost impossible to get rid of); prescription bottles, and a number of other items. I am a big fan of their company and they save me a lot of time and trouble and they keep a lot of waste out of landfills. We need them in addition to our traditional garbage and recycling service (which isn't actually recycling much at all). Thank you.

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Subject: [External sender]comment on Ridwell Inc. [#9]
Date: Sunday, March 31, 2024 6:44:50 PM

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] SE 18th Ave.
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97202
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	I support Ridwell's solid waste facility license application

From: Wufoo
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Email *	[REDACTED]
Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] NE 13th Way
	Hillsboro
	OR
Zip code *	97124

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I live in Hillsboro, a member of the Metro Master Recycler program and am a customer of Ridwell. I can speak to this application from two aspects. First, I am an avid supporter of this company for the ethical services and transparency it embodies. With the current curbside recycling system I'm familiar with, I'm not convinced the collected items are sorted thoroughly enough to not be contaminated. I don't feel that way about Ridwell. Ridwell provides the names of the partners with which it works and provides periodic reports of the amount of landfill fodder it pulls from the waste stream. The other aspect I can only superficially speak to is the location of this new facility, From Google maps, it appears to be an industrial zone which would presumably fit the Ridwell functions. I don't see, give this limited inspection, that there would be any problems. I feel the Ridwell application should be approved.

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Email *

[REDACTED]

Name

[REDACTED]

PORTLAND

OR

Zip code *

97206

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I recommend that the new recycling facility have solar panels installed on the roof, if feasible, or on an adjacent structure, to meet the electrical need of the facility.

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Email *

[REDACTED]

Name

[REDACTED]

Portland

OR

Zip code *

97212-1233

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

Yes, good idea, let them do it.

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Email *

[REDACTED]

Name

[REDACTED]

Address

[REDACTED] NE Sacramento St.

Portland

OR

Zip code *

97220

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

We are a Ridwell household and really like knowing that more of our refuse is being recycled and not just ending up in the landfill.

That said, I'd strongly prefer it if Metro would figure out how to recycle film plastic, clamshells, batteries, light bulbs, textiles... and styrofoam now that Agilyx is closing. It's super dumb to pay twice for trash pickup just because our local org isn't up to the task. Why don't you join forces with Ridwell and let every household help keep this stuff out of the landfills?

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] n buffalo
	Portland
	Or
Zip code *	97217
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Riddell is the sole provider in my area of recycling for many common materials. I value their services and support their application.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] NW 8th St. Gresham OR 97030
Zip code *	97030
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	PLEASE get Ridwell back again! I used it for more than a year and LOVED it! I was able to give Ridwell a bike, clothes, bags of perfectly good King and twin sheet sets, towels, shoes, backpacks & purses. They give it to charities that disperse these items. I also used it to recycle styrofoam and many kinds of plastics – bags and containers. Let's help the planet! Thanks! [REDACTED]

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Email *

[REDACTED]

Name

[REDACTED]

Zip code *

97068

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I have zero objections to the plan. Ridwell fulfills a critical role in reducing the amount of plastics and other recyclable materials that are dumped as garbage, and thus helps us drink water that is less contaminated with chemicals. The recyclables collected bby Ridwell are odorless. They will not be a nuisance to the neighborhood.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] SW Westwood Ct
	Portland
	Oregon
Zip code *	97239
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Ridwell is an excellent adjunct recycling service for the Metro area and I support their application. I appreciate they are able to recycle a wider variety of items than the standard garbage services can.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] SE 46th Avenue
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	OR
Zip code *	97206
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Ridwell is recycling plastics and other products that are not accepted in the official blue cart recycling system. Thanks to Ridwell for taking the numerous plastic bags and other packaging that would otherwise wind up existing forever in a landfill. I strongly support Ridwell's efforts to recycle and reuse materials that otherwise go to waste. I hope Ridwell continues to expand the products they can handle.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	PO Box [REDACTED]
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97208
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	I think this is a great idea. Any infrastructure that contributes to recycling waste should be supported by the community, and I approve! Thank you to Ridwell for committing to move forward with the goal of a more sustainable future and keeping waste out of the landfills.

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Address	[REDACTED] SE 62nd Ave
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97206
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	I support granting the facility license. Ridwell is providing a valuable service and the city of Portland should support more opportunities to increase recycling of all possible materials.

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] N Jantzen Ave
	Portland
	Or
Zip code *	97227
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	Please approve the Ridwell application! Until Metro is able to accept and process all of the materials accepted by Ridwell, it is important to promote and encourage these alternative recycling pathways. [REDACTED] Master Recycler

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Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED] NE 61st Place
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97213
What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *	I look forward to their new facility so that they may be able to process more recyclables.

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Address	[REDACTED] SE 156th Ave
	Portland
	OR
Zip code *	97236

What would you like to share with Metro about the Ridwell, Inc. solid waste facility license application? *

I am a current Ridwell subscriber. By using their services, I have been able to decrease my solid waste that goes into the garbage can by over half. My husband and I swapped out our large trash can for a smaller one a few years ago and we are about to move to the smallest one available – saving us money and putting less trash in the landfill.

Ridwell's services and those of similar companies are critical to enable our society to move to a future that our planet can sustain. Finding a home for these services is essential. The location suggested seems to be well situated for access to the highway arteries needed to collect the materials and is in a suitably industrial area where traffic will not threaten residences. I support this relocation.