RESOLUTION 2026-R-260

A Resolution Establishing an Internal Recycling Program in All Municipal Buildings and at City-Sponsored Events, and Authorizing Implementation

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Irondale, Alabama (the "City") is authorized and empowered under the laws of the State of Alabama to promote the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents;

WHEREAS, recycling reduces the amount of waste deposited in landfills and conserves natural resources;

WHEREAS, recycling can lower disposal costs and promote environmental stewardship;

WHEREAS, the City generates recyclable waste, including paper, cardboard, aluminum, and plastic, in its municipal buildings;

WHEREAS, the City sponsors large public events at which substantial quantities of single-use plastic water bottles and other beverage containers are distributed to attendees;

WHEREAS, the City desires to lead by example by establishing consistent recycling practices in municipal buildings and at City-sponsored events;

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that establishing an internal recycling program for municipal buildings and events serves a valid public purpose by reducing landfill waste, conserving resources, lowering disposal costs, and promoting environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that establishing and implementing the recycling program is in the best interests of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Irondale, Alabama, in regular meeting duly assembled, a quorum being present, as follows:

Section 1. Recycling Receptacles in Municipal Buildings. Clearly labeled recycling receptacles shall be placed in all buildings owned, leased, or operated by the City, including in common areas, break rooms, and near entrances, within ninety (90) days of the adoption of this Resolution.

Section 2. Recycling at City-Sponsored Events. At all City-sponsored or City-organized events at which the City distributes bottled water or other beverages, or that have an expected attendance of one hundred (100) or more, recycling receptacles shall be placed adjacent to trash receptacles and at beverage distribution points in sufficient number to serve the event. Recycling receptacles shall be removed by the City or its contractor following the event.

Section 3. Reservation of Discretion. The Mayor or his designee may waive or modify the requirements of this Resolution for a particular building or event when compliance is impracticable. Nothing in this Resolution creates a private right of action.

ADOPTED & APPROVED: This 4th day of November, 2026.

David Spivey, City Council President

APPROVED:

James D. Stewart, Jr., Mayor

ATTESTED:

Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Leigh Ann Allison, the City Clerk of the City of Irondale, Alabama, hereby certify that the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Irondale at its regular meeting held on the 4th day of November, 2026, as the same appears in the minutes of record of said meeting.

Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk