



COOL CITIES COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE:	December 15, 2025
TITLE:	Single Use Bag Fee - Guest Speaker: Stephanie Malench
DEPARTMENT:	Community Development
PROJECT MANAGER:	Caitlin Rice, AICP, Senior Planner
REQUESTED ACTION:	Discussion Only
SUSTAINABILITY FOCUS AREA(s):	Environmental Management (Waste Reduction); Engagement, & Education

Overview

Stephanie Malench is a member of the Edwardsville Environmental Commission and publisher for the Collinsville Daily News. Ms. Malench will be providing an overview of the City of Edwardsville's Single Use Bag Fee program and updates on the impacts of the program since its enactment in 2021. Edwardsville applies a 10-cent fee at checkout for disposable plastic and paper bags used at checkout in stores larger than 7,000 sq. ft. in the City. This ordinance was adopted in 2019 and implemented in summer of 2021.

Please feel welcome to browse Edwardsville's Single Use Bag Fee webpage at <https://www.cityofedwardsville.com/571/Single-Use-Bag-Fee> for more information prior to the meeting.