



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

<b>AGENDA SECTION</b>	PRESENTATIONS
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	APRIL 27TH, 2026

<b>ITEM:</b>	<b>Better Futures Presentation and Recycling Champions Certificate</b>		
<i>Presenting Item: Jesse Davies, Refuse Coordinator</i>			
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Public Works		<b>BY/DATE:</b> Jesse Davies / April 14, 2026	
<b>CORE CITY STRATEGIES:</b> <i>(please indicate areas that apply by adding an "X" in front of the selected text below)</i>			
x_ Community that Grows with Purpose and Equity		x_ Engaged, Effective and Forward-Thinking	
_ High Quality Public Spaces		_ Resilient and Prosperous Economy	
_ Safe, Accessible and Built for Everyone		x_ Inclusive and Connected Community	

**BACKGROUND**

Better Futures MN will give a presentation about their workforce non-profit work and the organics service they provide for the City. They will also talk about other projects they are executing and their goals.

Mayor/Council present Recycling Champions Certificate to Better Futures for:

Better Futures has collected over 100 tons of organics in the last two years keeping the material out of the trash and delivering it to a facility where they make high nutrient compost. The convenience of their curbside program has encouraged 500 properties to participate so far with more signing up every month. In addition, they have deconstructed some City properties to save building materials, household fixtures, various metals, etc. for reuse and recycling before major demolition and disposal of the structure.