

EXHIBIT A

CITY OF ATLANTA

BEE CITY USA RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS

- The City of Atlanta Mayor’s Office of Resilience will be designated as the BEE CITY USA sponsor.
- The Mayor’s Office of Resilience, Director of Sustainability, John R. Seydel will be designated as the BEE CITY USA liaison.
- To facilitate the Atlanta BEE CITY USA program, the City of Atlanta shall form a Bee City Atlanta Committee, which will meet quarterly and create reports for the city council, protocol, and yearly review policies and procedures during Pollinator Week (third full week of June).
- The City of Atlanta shall continue its efforts to become a “Pollinator-Safe” City by adopting best management practices—such as prioritizing organic methods over pesticides—in all public places within the City, including parkland, rights-of-way, and greenspaces.
- The City shall refrain, to the extent practicable, from using or purchasing systemic pesticides and herbicides, especially those from the neonicotinoid family, on City property.
- The City shall undertake best efforts to purchase and plant vegetation favorable to bees and other pollinators in the City's public spaces.
- The City shall identify spaces that could be used to educate the public about pollinator-friendly practices and/or restored to native habitats that host pollinator-friendly species, such species being listed on the websites of the Mayor’s Office of Resilience and its community partners.
- The City shall designate a public space for the research and implementation of organic and regenerative agricultural practices—such as beekeeping and public, residential, and commercial pollinator gardens—with an eye toward expanding such practices to cultivate food-producing urban landscapes.
- The City shall undertake best efforts to communicate the importance of creating and maintaining a pollinator-safe habitat to City residents and all stakeholders by providing informative resources online and conducting educational events during Pollinator Week.
- The Bee City Atlanta Committee is authorized to, and should:
 - **Celebration:** Annually celebrate National Pollinator Week with educational events, pollinator habitat plantings or restoration, and proclamations or promotions that showcase Atlanta’s commitment to enhancing pollinator health and habitat.
 - **Publicity & Information:** Install and maintain at least one authorized BEE CITY USA street sign in a prominent location, and create and maintain a webpage on the Greater Atlanta Pollinator Partnership website which includes, at minimum, a copy of this resolution, links to the national BEE CITY USA website, contact information for the local government’s BEE CITY USA liaison the Director of Sustainability, John R. Seydel, contact information for the “Bee City Atlanta Committee,” and reports of the pollinator-friendly activities the community has accomplished the previous year(s).

- **Habitat:** Develop and implement a program to create or expand pollinator-friendly habitat, which can include, but is not limited to:
 - Creation of a recommended locally native species list to include forbs, grasses, vines, shrubs, and trees and a list of local suppliers for those species.
 - Creation of a least toxic integrated pesticide management plan, and
 - Dissemination of informational and educational materials to the public.
 - Tracking annual area of pollinator habitat created or enhanced by square footage and/or acreage.
- **Plan Development:** Develop a Plan and other relevant documents to review pesticide management policies and practices as they relate to pollinator conservation, identify appropriate locations for pollinator-friendly plantings, and consider other appropriate measures.
- **Renewal:** After completing the first full year as a BEE CITY USA affiliate, each January, apply for renewal of the Atlanta's BEE CITY USA designation following the format provided by BEE CITY USA, including a report of the previous year's BEE CITY USA activities, and paying the renewal fee based on Atlanta's population.