



# **Health Impact Assessment:** Southside Recycling Permit Application

Public Engagement Session #2: Hearing Community Voices

12/9/2021

# **Session Objectives**

Seek **direct input from community members**  
on key questions to inform the HIA.

# ★ Lead Facilitators

- Norma Seledon



- Consuella Brown



# Group Agreements & Norms

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# Agenda

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER(S)
5:30	Welcome & Recap of HIA Process	Megan Cunningham, Managing Deputy Commissioner, CDPH
5:45	Discussion Overview	Norma Seledon, Lead Moderator, Consultant
6:15	Group Discussion	Community Members
7:15	Group Harvest	Norma Seledon & CDPH Facilitators
7:25	Closeout & Thank You	Megan Cunningham



# Recap of HIA Process



## 6 STEPS OF THE HIA PROCESS

### 1. Screening

Determines if an HIA is needed or valuable

### 2. Scoping

Identifies the community impacted, potential health effects and key stakeholders

### 3. Assessment

Uses qualitative and quantitative methods to assess current health conditions and potential impacts

### 4. Recommendations

Provides solutions to lessen or enhance health effects

### 5. Reporting

Disseminates findings to key stakeholders, community members and decision makers

### 6. Monitoring and Evaluation

Tracks changes in health risks, health outcomes and changes in decision making

# What is a Health Impact Assessment?

- A health impact assessment is a process that helps determine the **potential effects** of a **proposed policy, plan, or project** on **health**.
- **Community members** are important stakeholders in the health impact assessment process.
- We are committed to applying **environmental justice** and **racial equity** principles and practices in this process.

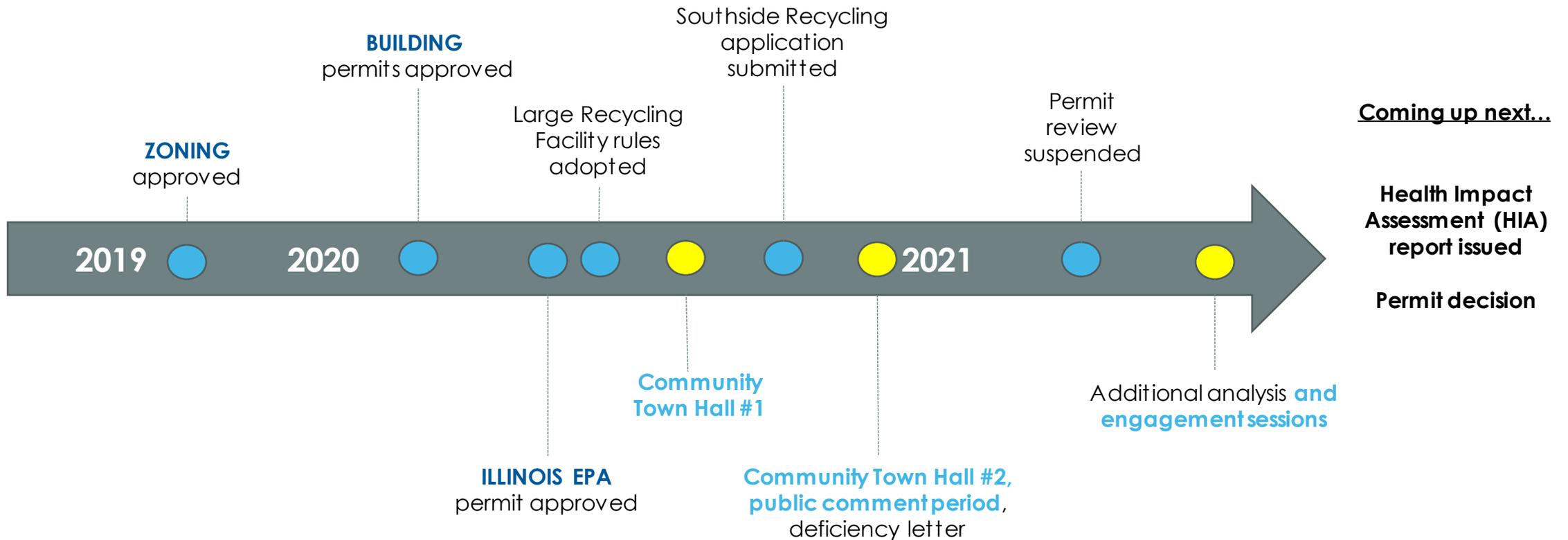
# ★ Background: RMG/Southside Recycling

- Reserve Management Group (RMG) is an **Ohio based metal recycling company**
- Purchased General Iron, then operating in Lincoln Park, in 2019
- Seeking permit for Southside Recycling at 11600 S. Burley
- Has operated recycling facilities in the ward for **30+ years**
- Would accept scrap metal, including end of life vehicles, for **processing and recycling**
- CDPH is conducting this HIA to inform our decision on **whether to issue a large recycling facility permit**





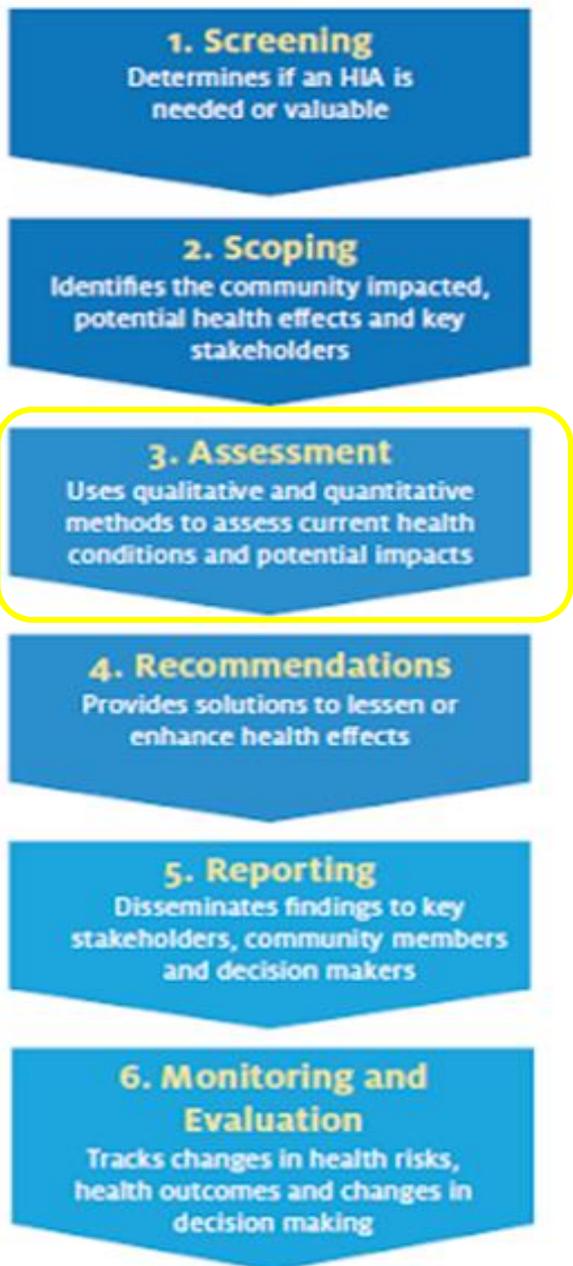
# Background: Permitting & Engagement Timeline



# ★ What Goes into the HIA?



## 6 STEPS OF THE HIA PROCESS



# Where Are We in The HIA Process?

- CDPH and the U.S. EPA presented information in the November HIA public engagement session on the **screening, scoping, and assessment steps**. Those materials are available on our website.
- Tonight we continue with the **assessment** by getting additional community input that will be analyzed and presented as part of the HIA report.



# Discussion Overview

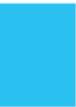




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# Discussion Questions

- **Benefits**
  - Please share some of the potential benefits of this proposal on you and your community. Who specifically benefits?
- **Burdens**
  - Please share some of the potential burdens of this proposal on you and your community. Who specifically is burdened?
- **Lived Experience**
  - Is there anything else that you want people who are working on this proposal to know or think about based on your experience as a community member?
- **Looking Forward**
  - Beyond the permit decision, what should we be aware of as we embark on other policy or process change initiatives? Do you have any specific recommendations?





# Group Harvest





# Closeout & Next Steps



# ★ What We Did Today

- Captured **direct insights from community members** and other stakeholders that will be incorporated into the HIA assessment and will inform our recommendations.
- If you would like to provide additional input on these questions, you can **complete a survey** at <https://www.chicagohan.org/ViewsFlash/servlet/viewflash?cmd=showform&pollid=EXT!RMGHIA>

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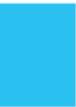
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# Next Steps: Feedback

1. What's **one big takeaway** you have from today's session?
2. What **worked well** in today's session?
3. What could we do **differently** next time?





# Next Steps: Stay Involved

- **HIA Session #3** will be scheduled in January. Information will be shared by email.
- Today's session and related materials will be posted on our [website](#).
- If you have feedback on today's session, email [envcomments@cityofchicago.org](mailto:envcomments@cityofchicago.org)