Berkeley City Council, 12/11/18: Single Use Disposable Foodware

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Summary Of Responses

As of December 10, 2018, 1:23 PM, this forum had:		Topic Start
Attendees:	188	November 29, 2018, 3:41 PM
Responses:	143	
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QUESTION 1

Should the Council approve this agenda item??

		%	Count
Yes		74.5%	105
No		19.9%	28
Other/see comments		5.7%	8

QUESTION 2

Is there anything you would like the Council to consider regarding this agenda item??

Answered	77
Skipped	66

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Survey Questions

QUESTION 1

Should the Council approve this agenda item??

- Yes
- No
- Other/see comments

QUESTION 2

Is there anything you would like the Council to consider regarding this agenda item??

Individual Responses

Name not available
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 7:16 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

don't forget the problem of plastic straws and lids currently offered to all eat in customers without request.

Lea D.
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 7:35 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

I definitely support efforts to reduce litter and waste going to the landfill, and I hope composting efforts can be more widespread and we can reduce the amount of trash our city sends to the landfills. Please also keep in mind the needs of the food vendors, I hope this can be done without burdening anyone with big expenses.

Rod Richardson
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 7:40 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

Please turn your attention to crime and homelessness in Berkeley rather than something of this nature. Leading is about helping our neighborhoods improve.

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 7:46 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

If the Council wants to only patronize restaurants with such a policy in their own personal lives, please go ahead. But don't impose it on the rest of us, who are much more concerned about the overall slow decay of this city. Pay attention to real crime. Focus on things that will get people to come to downtown, rather than drive them away. Get past some people's desire to keep adding ludicrous restrictions to everybody who lives, works and visits here.

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 7:51 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I think we should do all we can to advance awareness around reducing waste and banning single-use plastics. Fully in support of all steps in that direction. Thank you!

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 8:05 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 8:07 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Wonderful idea. We need to reduce waste.

Zach Cowan
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 8:11 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

This seems like a good idea, and should be expanded over time to include other parts of the economy, like retail packaging, requiring that certain products be offered in bulk, etc. However, it won't be free. • The "Financial Implications" part of the item says: "Staff time will be required to launch programs related to the Single Use Foodware and Litter Reduction Ordinance. Some programs and services may be provided by community partners at relatively low cost. Once launched, staff time for administration and enforcement of the Ordinance will be limited. Costs, sources of funding and community partnerships to be determined by the City Manager." • One wishes it were so. Staff time may be "limited" (isn't everything?) bit it will not be insignificant; it will have to come from other programs. To the extent this program is contracted out to "community partners" the cost will only grow over time and come to be regarded by those partners as an entitlement. The best part is this: "Costs, sources of funding and community partnerships to be determined by the City Manager." As a nod in the direction of the fact that Berkeley operates under the Council-Manager form of government, that is appropriate enough. But in context, it's just passing the buck. • Again, this seems like a fine idea, which probably should be replicated nationwide, and it is probably well worth the price. But it won't be free (or cheap) and no one should pretend it will be. It could, of course, be supported by a regulatory fee on affected businesses. Perhaps this is not desirable or politically palatable, but it should at least have been mentioned as an option that was considered and rejected.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 8:20 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

For those concerned about the cost of this program, reminder that the current situation is also costly on city cleanup, the environment and even the establishments providing single use foodware. This is shifting the cost in a way that promotes a clean city and environment, both of which are helpful to improving Berkeley.

Marilyn McPherson
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 8:22 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 8:22 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

I don't see much litter in Berkeley. What I do see is extreme overregulation. Ordinances like this are a perfect example.

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 8:26 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

Don't forget that the homeless (and others without kitchen facilities) rely on to-go meals. The increased costs for disposable items would affect them disproportionately.

Name not shown
inside District 2

December 6, 2018, 8:26 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 8:28 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 8:37 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

How about cleaning the city first before talking about this one. Have you looked around? It's a health hazard!

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 8:51 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 8:58 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Ian Lance Taylor
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 9:02 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 9:03 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Berkeley leads. That's what we do. It's time for Berkeley's leadership on this issue. It's time for us to drastically reduce our single-use plastic consumption. Let's do this for the health of the planet and it's inhabitants.

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 9:05 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

There are many alternatives to single-use plastic straws available. There

may be for other types of foodware as well.

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 9:17 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 9:18 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Bruce Bagnell
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 9:20 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Include biodegradable tableware as required. No plastic knives,forks,spoon, chopsticks, beverage straws. No containment of order in plastic bag.

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 9:22 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

I think there are a lot more important things the city should be focusing on. Is this a burden to our wonderful food establishments?

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 9:29 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

Unless we plan to receive awards for the city with the most restrictions, why not consider providing more recycling and composting bins instead?

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 9:30 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

We can't handle the trash we already have, please, no.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 9:42 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

this is a necessary good move as we try controlling our waste stream and the environment

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Name not available
December 6, 2018, 9:45 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Conceptually a good idea, but onerous. Maybe we should focus on a system to clean up the homeless litter first.

Wendy Oser
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 9:47 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 10:08 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

The City should incentivise the use the single use foodware, but not make it mandatory or rule of the land. Give businesses that participate in this an incentive to do so (besides it "feels good" or is good for the environment- businesses respond to incentives and profits). Alternatively, you could "penalize" or impose small fees on the businesses that do not participate, thus incentivising them to join in- but not mandating that they do so. You will get compliance with incentives, you will get disdain with mandates.

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 10:21 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I am proud to be a Berkeley resident because of our progressive policies around climate change. In the wake of the Camp Fire, we need to do everything in our power to reduce our carbon footprint and move towards zero waste.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 10:24 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Please help reduce waste and litter in our city! Disposable take out foodware and utensils are not sustainable, and we need to convert to a long-term solution to this and other environmental problems. Just please do it in a way that will not alienate those who see this as a loss. Thank you!

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 10:25 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 10:28 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Berkeley is falling behind other cities in concrete responses to the causes of climate change. We need to eliminate oil-based plastics ASAP.

Name not available
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 10:31 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

The reusable take out food ware ideally should be freezer compatible and hopefully microwavable.

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 10:34 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 10:45 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Linda Dow
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 11:09 AM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

All takeout food should be put in compostable containers. No plastic should be used. Any utensils given out should be compostable. All food eaten in should be served on reusable dishes and utensils.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 11:36 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Increase visibility of existing program for recycling plastic bags and other plastics waste, which would otherwise go into landfill. Existing program has colelction boxes at (example) Safeway, but these are unadvertised and (essentially) unknown.

Name not available
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 11:39 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 11:39 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Enough with the social engineering. Instead, please take on the garbage piled up at homeless encampments in West Berkeley.

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 11:39 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

I support the move to sustainable foodware. But I don't think that the concept of sustainable foodware is terribly complex such that it requires a training program. It would be sufficient to give examples of compliant foodware and examples of vendors of compliant foodware and examples of food providers that have already made the switch. There is sufficient time (2020) for food providers to figure out how to make the switch without "training" from the City of Berkeley. If anything, the City of Berkeley should offer vendors of compliant foodware special mention if the vendors develop the training necessary for customers to begin to use their products. The focus of the City should not be on food service, but rather on street maintenance and other existing city responsibilities.

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 11:48 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 11:54 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Stop "Nannying" us around. Very few regulations have ever helped with anthing. Did regulations create Tesla?? Or LED's??

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 11:55 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No new taxes or fees

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 12:05 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Clear out the encampments and fix the streets. Quit coming up with stupid ways to spend more money.

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 12:08 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Re-usable for "eat in" makes sense. Re-usable for "take-out" is never ever ever ever going to work in practice. The end result will just be wasted resources, energy, and cost of "re-usable" foodware being thrown out. Even if every resident of Berkeley underwent regorous training, we'd have how many non-residents of berkeley throwing how much stuff out? Don't make the perfect (zero waste in theory, huge waste in practice) the enemy of the good (less waste and compostable/natural items for what we do use as single-use).

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 12:12 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

What do you imagine the environmental impact of the unnecessary wear and tear on vehicles caused by the abhorrent condition of our streets? How about the volume of trash that is accumulating in every homeless encampment in town, and it finding its way into the storm sewer system and being blown out into the bay? Enough with the narcissistic virtue signaling. Get on to running the city's most basic services efficiently!!!

Name not shown

inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 12:28 PM

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Question 2

I fail to see how this is a grave problem in need of immediate regulation, or how adding more FTEs will fix it. For people who can afford to eat out all the time, add a tax that would pay for the disposal of this foodware, or for the cost of the greener kind (but note that restaurants have incredibly small margins, and rely on many customers who are very price-sensitive). Many homeowners are not rich enough to eat out, so why make them pay for these FTEs? What is the message we are sending them? If you want to raise more money, tax people who are able to spend and consume.

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 1:02 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 1:12 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:22 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:26 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 1:30 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:41 PM

Question 1

- No

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Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 1:02 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 1:12 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:22 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:26 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 1:30 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 1:41 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

A City Council should not engage in paternalistic meddling or incentivising one way or the other business decisions such as what types of foodwares to provide customers.

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 3:07 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Thanks for taking steps to reduce litter while considering the costs for local businesses.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 3:29 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Focus on core city issues. Focus on the city government's responsibilities - streets, clear public spaces, financial management. We'll handle the planetary fixes elsewhere. (Unless you finish your homework and want extra credit)

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 4:04 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

We should look at ways to make it as low-cost and least disruptive for smaller / local businesses, including potentially delayed implementation time for locally owned businesses.

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 4:26 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 5:03 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

A City Council should not engage in paternalistic meddling, micromanaging, manipulating, or incentivising one way or the other business decisions such as what types of foodwares to provide customers.

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 5:22 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 6:12 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Grants to food vendors to help them make the changes for single use containers seems a bit ridiculous to me. It's not rocket science to use paper, compostable items, etc, instead of plastic. Just ban plastics, give food vendors the necessary info, but not money. And of course reducing waste, plastics, creating awareness, etc. are good ideas.

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 6:29 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

There should be a city tax on single-use food utensils.

Jake T
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 6:32 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I do support this. I daily pick up 4-5 single serve plastic items in front of my house, and see countless littered plastic items on the way to BART every day. As a society, this plastic is such a curse - instant gratification with very little added cost, but huge downstream consequences. Our streets are filthy, oceans trashed (we live on a BAY!), and plastic particles are even in our drinking water. Most single serve plastic serves a useful life of several seconds (a stir stick) to 20 minutes (a coffee lid). Why should we create waste that has so little long term value. I know that it is a challenging environment for a food business, but the plastic is killing our world and is not sustainable at any level. This is not the world I Want to raise my kids in. Consumers and businesses should be responsible, but we are not - which is why measures like this are necessary. Additionally, I would like to see REDUCTION be the first priority, such as a law requiring all customers be asked if they would like any additional piece of non-edible trash with their food (lid, straw, napkin, bag, sauce container, etc). Lastly, PLA corn plastics are not good for the environment, they are rarely composted (it isn't easy) and land is destroyed in order to grow corn to create single serve items - used once! We must do better than this!

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 6:43 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 6:49 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 6:52 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Reducing waste is essential to preventing runaway climate change and redirecting resources to meeting people's real needs

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Name not available
December 6, 2018, 6:54 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No, no, no heck no. This is a tax on business, it will discourage people from frequenting Berkeley restaurants and will reduce the tax base.

Name not available
inside District 7
December 6, 2018, 7:08 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Time is of the essence. Even the implementation schedule is too long. We need change now, and hopefully, the Council can try to put this in action sooner than proposed.

Name not shown

inside District 8
December 6, 2018, 7:14 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 7:29 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 3
December 6, 2018, 7:44 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Council has a higher priority: composting the mountains of debris created by the hordes of welcomed "homeless" and sanitizing the spaces they've fouled.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 7:51 PM

Question 1

No response

Question 2

Staffing needs? We need to not spend more on additional staffing without specific costs related to new programs.

Name not available
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 7:55 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 8:03 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Get real. Stop initiating these hair brain schemes and fix the roads. You create endless ordinances and can't implement actions on real time issues like road repairs. Get your heads back on planet Earth.

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 8:05 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 6, 2018, 8:08 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 8:09 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I support limiting plastics!

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 8:26 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 6, 2018, 8:41 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 9:58 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 10:41 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

This seems like a wonderful plan, and long overdue.

Willem Van Dijk
inside District 5
December 6, 2018, 10:49 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Implement asap

Louise Snitz
inside District 1
December 6, 2018, 11:23 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Anything to reduce single use plastic, I favor. I see an inordinate amount of plastic bags kea omg Monterey Market. Why?

Name not available
December 6, 2018, 11:28 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Anything we can do to reduce litter and waste in our city is a GOOD thing!

Name not shown
inside District 4
December 6, 2018, 11:29 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 1
December 7, 2018, 5:30 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 7, 2018, 6:52 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Pamela Blair
inside District 6
December 7, 2018, 6:53 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

It may be difficult for some food trucks to provide reusable foodware. Have you worked with them to figure out a way that is viable for them?

Name not available
December 7, 2018, 7:38 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 3
December 7, 2018, 7:39 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 2
December 7, 2018, 8:07 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 7, 2018, 8:35 AM

Question 1

No response

Question 2

No response

Name not available

December 7, 2018, 9:01 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Glen Hauer
inside District 2
December 7, 2018, 9:02 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I appreciate the intent and overall direction of this initiative.

Max Wechsler
inside District 2
December 7, 2018, 9:15 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

This is a good first step to addressing the global plastic pollution we are facing. The EU recently voted with a huge majority to ban single-use disposables; unfortunately, we can not expect such leadership on a Federal level, and so this is another opportunity for Berkeley to lead the way. The stakeholder process has been inclusive, and as time goes by, we can modify and expand this kind of legislation. Thank you.

Name not shown
inside District 8
December 7, 2018, 9:34 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

We must be creative in eliminating unnecessary plastic pollution.

Jessica Woodard
inside District 1
December 7, 2018, 10:12 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I think this important.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 7, 2018, 10:15 AM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

I don't think we should be treating compostable paper containers the same as plastic ones. Is it really better environmentally to wash durable dishes rather than compost paper ones? I think the emphais should be on supplying truly compostable containers and making sure they are composted.

Name not shown
inside District 8
December 7, 2018, 1:38 PM

Question 1

- No

Question 2

Please drop it an address major issues like crime, streets, unfunded pensions.

Name not available
inside District 2
December 7, 2018, 1:39 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I would go even further - that all stir sticks and straws must be compostable, as well. And then move to no longer selling plastic and styrofoam containers in our grocery and party goods stores; compostables are readily available.

Name not available
December 7, 2018, 1:42 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

this is a great and long overdue change to how the city permits use of throw-away plastic items. Please vote yes

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Name not shown
inside District 5
December 7, 2018, 1:51 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

We are strangling the ocean and suffocating the planet with plastics. Let Berkeley be a leader to slow down the process.

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 7, 2018, 2:24 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I think this is extremely important for our city and our planet.

Tanir Ami
inside District 5
December 7, 2018, 2:26 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 7, 2018, 2:47 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Banning plastic bags, even reusable ones, from all retailers and restaurants. Complete ban on plastic straws as well.

Name not available
December 7, 2018, 4:50 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

This is an important step and can be an example for the country to follow. Thank you for voting yes!

Jane Tierney
inside District 5
December 7, 2018, 5:15 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Require composting at all Peets locations

Ernest Isaacs
inside District 6
December 7, 2018, 6:51 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Before you vote, take a look at the photos of the Great Plastic Patch, the size of Texas, floating in the ocean between Berkeley and Hawaii. Also be aware that there are many other such

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Name not available
December 7, 2018, 9:55 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 7, 2018, 11:41 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 6
December 8, 2018, 3:03 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

We strongly support this initiative and hope it will pass the Council and be implemented.

Name not available
December 8, 2018, 8:14 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Thank you for the hard work and leadership in putting this together.

Danny Wedding
inside District 5
December 8, 2018, 10:09 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

I have hundreds of plastic forks and spoons -- and I think an equal number of packets of soy sauce and ketchup -- because I often forget to tell restaurant staff to leave them out. The burden to ask for such items should be on me, and not having such items should be the default condition.

Name not shown
inside District 2
December 8, 2018, 10:30 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 6
December 8, 2018, 2:20 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

A Loud Yes for this Measure

Name not shown
outside Berkeley Districts
December 8, 2018, 6:57 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 8, 2018, 7:25 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 8
December 8, 2018, 11:17 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

Waste is an out of sight, out of mind problem. Berkeley should lead the way and pass this Ordinance to reduce our waste and show other cities how they can too.

Name not shown
inside District 1
December 9, 2018, 2:49 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

have a new goal? Not only bring our beverage containers with us, we need to start bringing food containers with us. Venders and restaurants need to be on board with this great green idea.

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 7:06 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 5
December 9, 2018, 7:15 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 1
December 9, 2018, 12:12 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 12:54 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 1
December 9, 2018, 1:01 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 1:02 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

This is a huge step forward

Name not available
inside District 7
December 9, 2018, 1:04 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside District 8
December 9, 2018, 2:21 PM

Question 1

- Other/see comments

Question 2

Focus on the higher priorities of crime, street behavior, city infrastructure and budget.

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 2:55 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 3:32 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 5
December 9, 2018, 4:00 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 9, 2018, 4:06 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside District 1
December 9, 2018, 5:58 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Tom & Nhu Miller
inside District 8
December 9, 2018, 6:17 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Sarah Cunniff
inside District 6
December 9, 2018, 7:53 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Betsy Bigelow-Teller
inside District 5
December 9, 2018, 8:26 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Noemi Levine
inside District 8
December 9, 2018, 11:40 PM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

It's a start, if the CC didn't spend months agonizing and debating this but just did it. We all have to do whatever we can, and as usual, Berkeley can lead the way, and btw, speaking of Peet's,do you know their coffee bags aren't compostible? I asked, and they said they're working on it. Well, come on already!

Name not available
December 10, 2018, 10:34 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Keith Skinner
inside District 1
December 10, 2018, 10:35 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Julia Sherman
inside District 4
December 10, 2018, 11:28 AM

Question 1

Berkeley City Council, 12/11/18: Single Use Disposable Foodware

Should the City Council adopt a first reading of the Single Use Foodware and Litter Reduction Ordinance?

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Anna Whitney
inside District 7
December 10, 2018, 11:28 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Liam Will
inside District 6
December 10, 2018, 11:35 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response

Name not available
December 10, 2018, 11:40 AM

Question 1

- Yes

Question 2

No response