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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(13) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(13)

Date of NC Board Action: 03/02/2021

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 03/03/2021

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 21-0064

Agenda Date: 03/02/2021

Item Number: H

Summary: Please see attached Community Impact Statement.

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**City Council File Number 21-0064 - Food Accessories Opt-in Requirement for
Restaurants and Third-Party App-Based Delivery Platforms**

March 3, 2021

Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear City Council:

We declare that on March 2, 2021, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) at which a quorum was present. The following motion passed unanimously:

City Council File Number 21-0064

Title: Food Accessories Opt-in Requirement for Restaurants and Third-Party App-Based Delivery Platforms

ERNC Position: Support

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council supports this much-needed legislation that will both reduce unnecessary and unwanted waste and save our beloved local restaurants and businesses money during this impossibly difficult time and beyond.

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the single use pollution problem and has stressed our waste management systems to the brink and left our Los Angeles restaurants in dire need of assistance. Nearly 100 restaurants in the LA region have closed permanently due to the pandemic, and hundreds more are struggling to keep their doors open, relying entirely upon takeout and delivery to do so due to city and county mandates. When restaurants provide accessories only upon request, they save money and prevent waste at the same time, benefiting all Angelenos.

Whereas most take-out and delivery meals go to homes and offices already stocked with reusable items. The vast majority of these single-use items cannot be recycled. They add to the plastic pollution crisis that litters our streets, parks, rivers, and oceans and clogs already overfilled landfills. Cutting down trees and extracting more fossil fuels for items that aren't even used makes no sense in the middle of a climate crisis. These impacts also present significant environmental justice issues, with low-income communities and communities of color bearing a disproportionate burden of the impacts from climate change, fossil fuel extraction, and incineration associated with single-use waste.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council strongly supports Council File 21-0064 to provide disposable food service accessories upon the request of the customer. We are calling on food delivery apps and restaurants to make foodware accessories available only on request. It's a simple solution that saves restaurants money and reduces waste.

Please place this letter in the case file, and acknowledge its receipt via email to: **executive@ernc.la**.
Thank you.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jesse Saucedo', written over the printed name.

Jesse Saucedo
President, Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council

cc: Office of Councilmember Kevin De Leon