

## **Communication from Public**

**Name:** Glassell Park Improvement Association  
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Statement of Community Impact  
**Council File No. 21-0064**  
Foodware Accessories Upon Request

The Glassell Park Improvement Association **supports** Council File: 21-0064.

The Glassell Park Improvement Association fully supports any actions that will reduce waste, litter, and negative environmental impacts in our neighborhood and our city.

The GPIA has hosted monthly FLASH! cleanups for 10 years—one of the longest ongoing regular cleanup programs in the city. We are all too familiar with how one-time conveniences quickly become trash that litters our neighborhood. Even when picked up, forks, spoons, knives, straws, condiment packages and cup lids do not biodegrade in our landfills.

Glassell Park's major thoroughfare, San Fernando Road, is home to an assortment of fast food restaurants. It's also less than a mile from the L.A. River. As supporters of the Friends of the L.A. River's annual river cleanups, GPIA members witness first-hand the amount of plastic waste that makes its way to our river via curbside storm drains.

We strongly **support** this motion that moves us toward an ordinance that will reduce the proliferation of "foodware accessories" in our community.

**The Glassell Park Improvement Association was founded in 1968, and is one of the oldest organizations of its kind in Los Angeles. Our founders described our mission as advocating for quality of life issues and working to improve conditions in Glassell Park. As such, our Board of Directors have voted and approved sending this statement on behalf of our members.**

Cc:

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