

Communication from Public

Name: EVANGELINE MONROY

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Comments for Public Posting: Can we please stop using all this extra plastic? I strongly support the #SkipTheStuff ordinance to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.

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Name: Alison Linder

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Comments for Public Posting: I want to write in support of an ordinance that restricts the use of disposable plastic and single use items in restaurant takeout. I really appreciate that a similar concept was codified in the recent "Plastic Straw on Request" ordinance and I hope that this model can be extend to plastic utensils and other waste as well. Ideally, this ordinance would also include single use condiments in disposable packaging, for instance ketchup and mustard packets, hot sauce containers, soy sauce containers etc. I While occasionally these utensils and condiments are desirable, they are often unwanted and go straight to the trash. It makes sense to offer the option, but to indiscriminately distribute disposable trash as a default is illogical. To effectively impact our culture of consumption, avoidance should be the default with disposable items being offered on request. I care deeply about reducing our city's impact on the planet, and this seems like a very logical step to take. I would also suggest that the ordinance extend to orders for delivery placed online, and include service providers such as DoorDash, Postmates and Uber Eats. These companies are growing in market power and as such, have the ability to shape the market, and change the culture of "waste by default". Requiring customers to specify a need for utensils and condiments would go a long way towards curbing the waste of these products that often go straight to the trash and ultimately wind up in our landfills, or on our coast.