

Communication from Public

Name: Scott Buscemi

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:55 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: This is a message of support for Agenda Item 7. We all have an entire drawer full of plastic utensils from the takeout places we've ordered from. All of that plastic plagues our mind with guilt until we throw it all away and start the cycle again. It's wasteless, it's unnecessary, and we now have the chance to take action. Make the right choice for businesses, consumers, our city, and our environment. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Adam Benjamin Burch

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:56 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of Agenda Item #7, the #SkipTheStuff motion, and I urge the city council to move forward and draft an ordinance. Now more than ever we need to take action to introduce more sustainable ways of living, wasting less, and ensuring the preservation and beautification of our city and our planet.

Communication from Public

Name: Shawn Marchetti

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:08 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Due to COVID-19, the already existing problem of single use items is getting worse. To-go and delivery orders has exacerbated the problem. Consumption of single-use plastics has increased by 250% - 300% since the pandemic began. Those restaurants that were able to keep their doors open are relying primarily on takeout and delivery orders, and yet still struggling to keep their doors open. When restaurants provide foodware accessories only upon request, they save money and prevent waste. It's a win-win for all Angelenos, our community businesses, and our environment!

Communication from Public

Name: David Juarez

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:08 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: On behalf of the California Restaurant Association (CRA), and the thousands of restaurants in the City of Los Angeles, I am writing to express our position on the proposed food accessories “upon request” motion and offer suggestions that we believe will help change behavior and reduce the environmental impact of disposable food accessories while still allowing the local restaurant community to continue to focus on operating as an essential service in the midst of the pandemic. Please see attached.



March 16, 2021

Los Angeles City Council
Los Angeles City Hall
200 N Spring St,
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Item 7 – Foodware Accessories “Upon Request”

Dear Los Angeles City Councilmembers,

On behalf of the California Restaurant Association (CRA), and the thousands of restaurants in the City of Los Angeles, I am writing to express our position on the proposed food accessories “upon request” motion and offer suggestions that we believe will help change behavior and reduce the environmental impact of disposable food accessories while still allowing the local restaurant community to continue to focus on operating as an essential service in the midst of the pandemic.

COVID-19 has spread throughout our communities, and at one point, L.A. County was the epicenter of the virus. This led to the closure of thousands of restaurants and those that are still open were required to adjust their operations to only takeout and delivery for most of last year. Limiting onsite dining certainly increases consumer demand for food-ware accessories. The restaurant community shares the ongoing concern over unnecessary use of single-use products and routinely partners on litter abatement efforts at the state and local levels, works towards mitigating the impact on local landfills, continues to engage in public policy to encourage recycling and reduce food waste, and increase guest awareness about the unnecessary distribution of single-use products.

As the City begins to review disposable food service accessories “upon request” policies, we ask that you consider the following:

- 1. Once the local COVID19 emergency period comes to an end, any upon request policy should include the self-serve dispensers at restaurants.**

The CRA worked to create statewide legislation, AB 1884, as a first step to abate the unnecessary distribution of plastic straws by enacting an “upon-request” only model for full-service restaurants. Key elements of this workable “upon request model” include the ability to self-select a straw from a receptacle, so as not to disrupt restaurant operations, while creating consumer awareness of straw use and waste. We believe this solution mitigates the negative reactions from patrons that become agitated that they have not received a straw from the restaurant and allows them to choose whether or not they want a straw. This model can also apply to other disposable food service accessories.

- 2. Restaurants must be able to offer food service accessories.**

Drive thru service is most challenging for our community in relation to food packaging restrictions. Restricting a restaurant’s ability to provide drive thru customers with the products

they will need to consume the food and drink they have purchased while in their vehicle will cause significant customer inconvenience, frustration, and backlash towards employees once they have driven away from the restaurant. For these reasons, we believe that restaurants should have an “upon offer” policy that allows the restaurant to offer food ware accessories to customers.

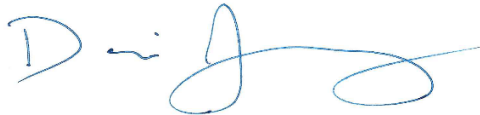
3. **Any upon request policy should include a public awareness campaign period in which enforcement is delayed to allow time for the industry and customers to change behavior.**

We know that this policy is driven by the desire to abate the use of unnecessary disposable food accessories and the impact on our environment. We also recognize that changing public behavior is difficult and takes time. It is essential that as the City moves forward with a policy, that it includes a public awareness campaign and delayed enforcement to allow the industry and our customers to become accustomed with the new rules.

We remain committed to working cooperatively to help the Council design food packaging policy that will create public awareness of the environmental impacts. We believe a workable policy that considers the impact on our hard-working employees and the business community is a win-win for our local restaurant community and the environment.

We respectfully request that any upon request food packaging policy considers the issues raised in this letter and appreciate your time and consideration of our position and expertise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Juarez', with a stylized, flowing script.

David Juarez
Director of Local Government Affairs
California Restaurant Association

Communication from Public

Name: Jim McCurdy

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:13 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: This is something that's been on my mind for a LONG time. It's such a no brainer. Workers automatically stuff your bag with copious amounts of plasticware, napkins, condiments, etc, with absolutely no thought about the impact. I have repeatedly seen someone get their order in a plastic to go bag, then walk ten or twenty feet to a table, unpack and eat. THEN, they take the plastic bag, and all the previously enumerated items and throw them away!!! This has got to stop. The Pandemic has obviously intensified the need for some kind of supervision at the LEAST!!!

Communication from Public

Name: Auriyana Jackson

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Only 9% of plastic gets recycled and we have a huge plastic pollution problem which can easily be observed in our LA river. Plastic utensils are too small for recycling machines to sort and so these items that we use for mere minutes will spend a lifetime in the landfill. We need to address the plastic pollution problem at the source, and so I urge the council to pass this necessary motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today!

Communication from Public

Name: Heather White

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:46 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: valena dismukes

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:46 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The plastic problem is one that requires government intervention to apply regulations and pressure on companies. "Skip the stuff" is only a small step to cleanse our environment of the many needless plastic items, while preserving plastics that are essential in certain industries, such as medical supplies, until a suitable alternative can be developed. Thank you for moving the "Skip the stuff" ordinance forward.

Communication from Public

Name: Christine Tong

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:49 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Jen Kuhn

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:54 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. Especially during a time like the pandemic when most people getting take out are literally AT HOME (presumably with utensils). The DEFAULT option should be NO UTENSILS. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Colleen M Hanlon

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:54 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The Skip the Stuff ordinance will prevent the manufacture and distribution of tons and tons of unnecessary plastic and paper products. It is win-win-win, as restaurants and other businesses save on purchases of unneeded cutlery, napkins, etc., consumers don't have to try to recycle brand new items they never wanted, and all people and animals benefit from a cleaner environment. As someone who gets "to-go" orders with some frequency, I can tell you that recycling the containers that it comes in are enough trouble to recycle (and who knows if, after being cleaned and placed in the recycling container they are actually recycled), let alone the other items that you absolutely don't want, need or use. And many restaurants supply them even after you specifically request they not be included, because they are so used to providing them. I'll bet the number of customers who don't want these items vastly exceeds the number who do. Thank you.

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Name: Sarah A. Spitz

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:01 PM

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Name: Samantha karim
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Name: Marianne Davis

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:44 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I support this measure as sound ecological and cost-saving measure for our community. Whenever my family gets takeout, we are buried in unwanted utensils, seasonings, and piles of napkins, all of which could have been saved as an expense for the restaurant. I understand the need for clean new containers for food as a public health necessity, but all the rest of it could easily become a selection on the menu. Please make this smart and helpful proposal law.

Communication from Public

Name: Katy Burnham

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:23 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please ban plastic cutlery at take out restaurants or require that patrons ask for it.

Communication from Public

Name: Julia Arce

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:30 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Istrongly support Agenda 7, the #skip the stuff motion to require food accessories on request.

Communication from Public

Name: Debbie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:21 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment! The majority of people ordering delivery already have spoons, forks, and knives at home that they prefer over plastic.

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Name: Tyler Wolfe

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:12 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Casey O'Brien

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 04:29 PM

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Name: Molly Heal

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Communication from Public

Name: Micaela

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:16 PM

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Name: Leah M Langford

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:18 PM

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Name: Georgia Tunioli

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:19 PM

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Name: Melina Kust

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:51 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: So much extra unnecessary trash is being created. Make people ask for this trash.

Communication from Public

Name: ThemisZ. Glatman

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:52 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: It is PAST the time to stop wasting valuable resources, putting more strain in our restaurants and we need to save the environment from plastics. This is why I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Name: Yu-Shien Ni

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:25 PM

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Name: Rachelle Labbe Bellas

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:27 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please approve this. Its pivotal for the well-being of the city if it wants to sustain itself.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:33 PM

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Name: Josh Palmer

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:38 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Whenever I get takeout, I am saddened by the gross waste of plastic whose production and disposal pollutes our environment. Thus, I strongly urge that the council support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. As an added bonus, this will save money for businesses. Thank you for your time and I hope you make the best choice for our community. Take care.

Communication from Public

Name: Anita

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Forrest Prull

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:13 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Plastic waste is a scourge on our city and especially the beaches and the ocean. Reducing needless wastes by requiring patrons to request single use plastic items will reduce the amount of plastic in our streets, our beaches and our oceans. It will reduce costs for restaurants at the same time. This is a win win proposal that should be adopted.

Communication from Public

Name: Bruce Spring

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:35 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories Only on request. We desperately need to reduce our plastic waste. Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and for moving us forward.

Communication from Public

Name: Jonathan Caplan

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:17 PM

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Name: Briana Bard

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:22 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, My name is Briana Bard. I live in North Hollywood. I volunteer with the Surfrider Foundation. I would like to express my support for Item #7 to be discussed Wednesday 3/17 at 10 am. I would appreciate your support in passing this ordinance as well. This ordinance is certainly not the end all, be all in climate solutions but it is an important step on the path to a more sustainable future. An upon request approach will help reduce waste and perhaps give people the opportunity to consider if they actually need disposables. I, for one, have an obnoxious amount of disposable cutlery, napkins and sauce packets from ordering food to go that I did not need or ask for because I brought along my own utensils or the food was delivered to my home where I also have reusable utensils, napkins, etc. I firmly believe that the food establishments that I ordered from had the best intentions of providing everything I needed to have a meal in peace however, with an option to refuse materials that would otherwise become unused waste, it's possible that businesses can save money. A packet of ketchup here and a set of utensils there doesn't seem like much but when it starts to see it amass in the kitchen drawer, and even worse when you see it accumulate on the beaches, roadways, and parks you realize if given the choice you would rather go without. Single use items like plastic utensils, napkins, straws, sauce packets and the like may seem expendable but they are, in fact, an immense expense to businesses, communities and the environment. With of our ambitious nationwide and global climate goals, this is one small step toward more comprehensive waste management solutions. Thank you for taking the time to read this and I hope you will strongly consider adopting this ordinance. Briana Bard

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Name: Barbara Mesa

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:23 PM

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Name: Adriana L.

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:24 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to provide takeout extras only on-request. #SkiptheStuff is a step towards the right direction for our community and economy.

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Name: Stephanie Molen

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:12 PM

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Name: Devin Tanner

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:14 PM

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Name: Paige

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Name: Amanda Pushinsky

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Name: Sasha Craig

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:24 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Please pass the Skip The Stuff legislation. I have umteen amounts of plastic wear in my drawer and I don't want or need it. Thank you, Sasha

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Name: Lynn Bossone

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Name: Mark Kelsey

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Name: Suzie Hicks

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Plastic in the ocean is not only an ocean issue, it's a food justice issue, public health issue, and intersectional future issue. If we have the opportunity to do something now before we witness the worst effects of plastic pollution on ocean ecosystems, animals, and human life, we should.

Communication from Public

Name: Tris Miller

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:54 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: For the sake of our oceans, our water, our city health, our landfills, our community, our wild life, the cost of plastics, I support Agenda Item #7, the #SkipTheStuff motion, urging city council to move forward and draft an ordinance.

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Name: Valeria Isaacs

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Single-use plastic trash from restaurant deliveries and takeout orders is a big problem #SkiptheStuff. ?

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Name: Eliseo D Nevarez

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 03:02 PM

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Name: Cami Gomez

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Communication from Public

Name: olivia kelly

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please support this common sense bill that offers only upside for businesses and our environment. Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Julia Jaye Posin

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:42 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: It's time Los Angeles rises to meet the environmental and health crises before us. Enacting an opt-in model for disposable food ware accessories is critical to mitigating plastic pollution, and fighting the larger impacts of climate change and environmental injustice. This legislation is a win win, saving restaurants money, and drastically reducing the production and discarding of single use plastics. This is the perfect follow up to the already successful straws upon request ordinance. Let's keep moving Los Angeles towards meeting our goals to reduce waste, and advance a just transition towards a more circular, equitable and regenerative economy. See motion attached for reference.

MOTION

In the U.S., billions of unused foodware accessories including utensils, straws, and condiment packets are tossed away annually. This “zero-use” trash clogs landfills, pollutes our streets and waterways, and adds to the global glut of non-recyclable plastic production.

Coastal Cleanup Month data shows that in September 2020 in LA County, volunteers collected and recorded over 40,000 pieces of trash to total 4,320 pounds. This data shows an increase in food delivery and takeout waste, with foodware accessories the fourth most commonly found item and takeout containers the fifth.

The COVID-19 pandemic has increased reliance on food delivery and takeout and thereby increased the use of single-use items. In light of pandemic mandates, restaurants are depending on to-go and delivery options to survive, and the amount of single-use foodware and accessory items wasted has skyrocketed by approximately 250-300%, according to an estimate by the International Waste Association.

Restaurants currently offer foodware accessories regardless of request, when many customers already have their own reusable utensils, straws and condiments at home. Moving to an on-request model reduces waste and saves businesses money: it is a win-win for establishments, their patrons and the City. Additionally, environmental justice communities disproportionately bear the burden of single-use waste in their neighborhoods.

Eliminating the pointless waste of single-use disposables fits well into the City’s goals to reduce waste, increase energy efficiency, promote equity and environmental justice, address the impacts of climate change and advance a just transition toward more circular, equitable and regenerative economies.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the City Attorney, in consultation with the Small Business Commission, to draft a Foodware Accessories Upon Request ordinance that would require restaurants and other food service providers, including virtual restaurants (also known as cloud or ghost kitchens) to provide all disposable foodware accessories, including but not limited to straws, utensils, condiments, napkins etc., only upon the request of the customer, and to require third party food delivery companies and other online platforms for ordering prepared meals to enact an “opt-in” model for foodware accessories across all digital platforms and applications, using the City’s current Disposable Plastic Drinking Straws ordinance as an enforcement model.

PRESENTED BY:



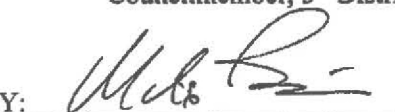
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Communication from Public

Name: Marielle Chua

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:46 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. We don't need the extra stuff!!! #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Jenifer Castelo

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:48 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support agenda item #7. By having restaurants offering extras and food-ware accessories on-request only will save restaurants money and will also reduce single use plastic. L.A. businesses and the environment will both benefit. Please pass this motion.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:16 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.?? and a way to educate consumers about the negative impact of plastics. I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Brenda

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:21 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Raquel

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:06 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. It's such a waste to have a stash of utensils we won't use, especially since we are eating at home. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Sophia Wu

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:07 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. it makes no sense that we should be getting single use plastic utensils when most of us are ordering food to our homes anyway, where i'm sure we all have utensils to use. Single use plastics are accumulating in our environments and in our bodies, and delivery food should stop being part of the problem.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:12 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As the founder of Paddle Out Plastic, retrieving thousands of pieces of plastic litter from LA area waters weekly, I urge you to authorize that staff draft an ordinance consistent with the #Skip the Stuff campaign requiring that with takeout or delivery orders eateries only provide accessories upon customer request. It's simple. It will cut down on waste. It will cut down on plastic litter making its way into the sea. It's the bare minimum of what must be done to get a handle on our plastic pollution problem.



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Communication from Public

Name: Michael Pisarik

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:15 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: This is long overdue and as someone who has supported and volunteered with Heal the Bay, the evidence is apparent on our beaches.

Communication from Public

Name: Patrick McKee

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:59 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Let's all remember - plastic foodware is NOT recyclable - it all ends up in the waste stream, and, ultimately, the oceans. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Cindy Villaseñor

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:05 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item # 7. It's been heartbreaking seeing all the single-use plastic trash that has significantly increased during the pandemic. I have personally noted on my take-out orders to leave out extras, but it hasn't worked since it's not really an option. It would be great if an actual option was implemented, and that extras are only provided if requested. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our precious environment from more plastic pollution.

Communication from Public

Name: Stephanie M Chin

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:27 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As a family that orders take out ALOT I strongly am in favor of Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Susan Sloan

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:41 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require food ware accessories on-request. By providing takeout "extras" only on-request restaurants will save money and it will reduce unnecessary single-use disposable waste. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Michael David Meloan
Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:40 PM
Council File No: 21-0064
Comments for Public Posting: I support Skip the Stuff.

Communication from Public

Name: Jamie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:41 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I feel terrible when I receive an order that contained plastic food ware and napkins that I'm not even going to use, and can't tell you how many times I forget to ask them not to include these items even though this is important to me. I'm sure thousands of people feel the same way. I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request! I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:42 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I absolutely SUPPORT Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion. There are soooo many times we toss out items because we just don't use the plastic utensils. Support of this issue helps everyone. Thank you. Debbie CD 10

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:46 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I support Agenda item #7. During the past year, i have accumulated too many single-use utensils when supporting local dining. Coffee places are the worst offenders unless they have compostable lids. Starbucks green lid toppers can now be seen scattered on the ground throughout the city of LA. I support this measure in an effort to decrease trash and debris traveling to the ocean. Los Angeles has unfortunately become a big trash can. Thank you for your attention.

Communication from Public

Name: Julie D.

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:46 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. This is so incredibly simple and doesn't take away anything from anyone. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you so much for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Megan Putnam

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:53 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Council File Number [21-0064] Dear councilmembers, I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:56 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. This action will save restaurants money and reduce unnecessary single-use disposable waste. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Joey Mendelsohn

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:01 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Please help make our environment safer by passing agenda item #7 #skipthestuff ordinance. We appreciate your compassion for our future generations to thrive in a clean safer world.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:02 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Kelsey Haller

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:04 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment! The majority of people ordering delivery already have spoons, forks, and knives at home that they prefer over plastic.

Communication from Public

Name: Hadley Hendrick

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 02:05 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I support this movement to move in the right direction away from single use plastic as the norm.

Communication from Public

Name: Jules

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:24 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I can strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Lauren Bergloff

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:25 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment! The majority of people ordering delivery already have spoons, forks, and knives at home that they prefer over plastic. I have found countless plastic cutlery items in the streets and on the beach when doing my weekly litter pickups.

Communication from Public

Name: Li Fan Gad

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:26 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. The #SkipTheStuff motion is going to the full LA City Council for a vote TOMORROW 3/17 at 10AM. WE NEED YOU to write in, call in, and express your support for Agenda Item #7, the #SkipTheStuff motion, urging city council to move forward and draft an ordinance.

Communication from Public

Name: Benjamin C

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:27 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As a long time resident of Greater Los Angeles region, I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. This is a common sense no brainer. Safe time, safe resources, and safe the world. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. Think of all of the unused single-use disposable plastic forks, wooden chopsticks that are piling up in you kitchen draw. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our Los Angeles communities, businesses, and environment. I strongly commend the council for their leadership, vision, and urge you to pass this motion TODAY! Act now for our future generations please. Thank you much for the opportunity to comment. Benjamin C.

Communication from Public

Name: Emily Chae

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:29 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment

Communication from Public

Name: Catherine A Roberts

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:30 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I support "Skip the Stuff." Automatically putting extra items such as condiments and utensils in take out bags is such a waste.

Communication from Public

Name: Rochelle and Ian Siegel

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:31 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require restaurants AND food delivery to only provide foodware accessories upon on-request by customers. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces waste going into landfills and on streets as litter. In this time of increased home delivery of restaurant food, extra plastic utensils are often unnecessary , as most individuals own real metal silverware that is preferable to plastic for food consumption, and therefore the plastic utensils are not even used, just trashed! I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Christina

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:31 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I highly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkiptheStuff motion. We can't ignore what we're doing to our planet and single use plastic is a big part of it. As it is, many people are ordering food to their home, where they have reusable knives and forks, etc. Why force them to be part of the plastic problem when one button press could save that plastic from the landfill. Please skip the stuff!!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:32 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I support "Skip the Stuff"..... during this pandemic I order a lot of food for pick up to be eaten at home and I don't need the plastic forks and knives. There is no way to recycle them.....and they just end up in the trash.

Communication from Public

Name: Neal Steiner

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 01:33 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this action that will benefit us and our children.

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca Gundzik

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:28 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support this motion. We need to reduce our reliance on plastics and promote reusable options for takeout dining.

Communication from Public

Name: Neysa Frechette
Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:30 PM
Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request only. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Often times when we order food we ask to not get utensils, but they end up in the take out anyway. This motion will make sure that the default is no utensils instead of the other way around. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Sara Mais

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:32 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As an employee of a plastic pollution nonprofit based in LA and passionate individual LA citizen, I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Ann Leslie Uzdavinis

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:34 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Dear City Council, #SkipTheStuff is so very important to help our environment and local businesses. I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to requiring foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants a great deal of money and reduces so much unnecessary single-use disposable waste. #SkipTheStuff is a huge win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Sam Butler

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:35 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing to express my support for Agenda Item #7, the #SkiptheStuff motion and require food serving accessories to be provided on request only. This is a great opportunity for us to start eliminating waste and reduce our consumption of single serve plastics, which are so detrimental to our environment. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Jane Nachazel-Ruck

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:37 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Rona Bortz

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:38 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council Members, I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Robert Doucette

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:39 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Melissa

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:45 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: We have to change the baseline of what's considered "normal" if we have any chance to halt climate disaster for our kids' futures. This is a step in the right direction and should ABSOLUTELY be accepted!

Communication from Public

Name: Traci Considine

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:46 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I STRONGLY SUPPORT Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to PASS THIS MOTION today.

Communication from Public

Name: Kathie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:50 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I urge you to pass the “Skip the Stuff“ ordinance to cut out plastic waste and save money for the restaurants.

Communication from Public

Name: Erin Rottman

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:51 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Rod Moore

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:51 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Bronwyn Major

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:51 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff Agenda Item 7. Provide take-out utensils upon request only! It saves LA and businesses money and resources, while protecting people and the planet.? 'Disposable plastics' are a disaster from their very genesis. The refineries they are made at are toxic and disproportionately impacting BIPOC families and communities. Generations hit with health problems from asthma to cancer and beyond. Medical bills that are bankrupting families. People are dying. Species are dying. The actions and steps we take here, today, protect tomorrow. Their impacts so far reaching. Think global, act local! Thank you all for leading the way! Mahalo!

Communication from Public

Name: Anna S

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:54 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Alison Waliszewski

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:56 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Judy Villablanca

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:58 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: RE: Council File Number [21-0064] I want to express my strong support for Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. The pandemic has created a large increase in disposable items which are adding to our trash burden in LA. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:09 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Pass 'skip the stuff'. The world, including the oceans, are drowning in plastic.

Communication from Public

Name: Jessica Johnston

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:11 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Maribel M

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:25 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Nicole Robertson

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:26 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: We must stop the needless inclusion of single use cutlery in deliveries unless requested! I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Steve williams

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:04 AM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Please pass the Takeout Food Ware Only Upon Request Ordinance. The movement to reduce the purchase and use of single use plastic has suffered a huge blow during the pandemic. As it now winds down a bit, we need to start moving the needle back down on single use plastic consumption. Most takeout food is being delivered to homes, where metal utensils reside, yet restaurants still routinely stuff takeout orders with plastic cutlery as a matter of habit. Let people ask for this if they need it....rather than accumulate unused piles of plastic utensils, ultimately bound for the ocean, sea life and possibly our bodies as they break down into microplastics and are consumed by fish and other sea creatures. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Romy J

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:38 AM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Plastic cutlery is the fifth most common item collected during coastal clean ups, with straws being the sixth(Ecowatch). This cutlery will never biodegrade. Regardless of being recycled, the plastic still exists on this earth. We use it one time. It makes an impact beyond our lifetime.
(<https://www.ecowatch.com/plastic-ban-Malibu-2540406956.html>)

Communication from Public

Name: Sharon Ungersma

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:12 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. The amount of unnecessary disposable silverware I receive while trying to support local restaurants during the pandemic is ridiculous (and this is despite always requesting "no silverware please"). It needs to become the norm to not automatically waste extras, but rather to only provide them to people who actually need them. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today.

Communication from Public

Name: Elaine Loh

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:14 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Amie Serio

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:14 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Hello--I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require utensils and 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Sammy G

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:16 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I am very worried about the future. I am only a teenager so I still have much time on this planet. I am concerned that the ecosystem will be flooded with trash and that future generations will not be able to cherish nature as I do. There are three words we hear often about helping the planet. REDUCE. REUSE. RECYCLE. The first step is to reduce the amount of waste we make and in this particular situation, the way to do that is by not providing unnecessary cutlery and condiments in people's takeout orders without them asking. Even if some people request the cutlery or condiments, this act is taking a small initiative to make a big impact. Please preserve the future for me and future generations. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Halina Do-Linh

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:18 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: George Ferrell

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:18 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support the "Skip the Stuff" motion. Who would not support it?

Communication from Public

Name: Ginger Mukherjee

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:19 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Sheila Morovati

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:21 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Councilmembers, My name is Sheila Morovati and I am the founder of HabitsofWASte.org, the non-profit who started the #CutOutCutlery campaign back in 2017. I also spearheaded the first plastic straw and cutlery ban in history in the City of Malibu. I convinced Uber Eats, Postmates and Grubhub to change their default setting to provide plastic cutlery and accessories upon request only. Postmates cited that within a year they saved restaurants over \$3.2 million dollars by saving plastic cutlery via the opt-in setting. Since then we have been providing restaurants around Los Angeles with our new #CutOutcutlery signage so they can easily communicate with their customers stating that plastic cutlery will only be available upon request. These restaurants have been so grateful and so happy to have this professional signage that helps them save money and protect the environment. I am proud to see the City of LA move forward on this very necessary ordinance. Thank you. Sheila Morovati



To reduce unnecessary waste, we will
provide plastic cutlery upon request only.



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Communication from Public

Name: Zoey

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:21 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: This is a no-brainer. Easy step to eliminate tons of trash no one actually wants, anyway. And, unlike a lot of other plastic waste measures, this puts the onus on the supplier. Please vote YES.

Communication from Public

Name: Andra Janieks

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:23 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. I know I am not the only one with a drawer full of untouched plastic utensils. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today, and appreciate the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Mikayla

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:24 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Skip The Stiff Agenda Item 7. Providing takeout extras only when requested saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, & protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Leslie Campbell

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 12:24 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: pearl karon

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 05:58 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: the restaurant owners save money, (less little packets etc. purchased, the planet gets a bit less pollution, it's a win-win in my opinion.

Communication from Public

Name: Julia Plotkina

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 06:10 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Let's minimize energy required to produce plastics and minimize waste. It's the right thing to do for the environment and a good business practice.

Communication from Public

Name: Leslie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:35 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: A Cameron

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:35 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly urge you to pass Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion, which requires that foodware accessories be provided only on-request. This will save restaurants money and reduce unnecessary single-use disposable waste. For years I've been frustrated because I already ask in comments or on the phone to skip these items, but usually receive them anyway. When we're at home, we simply don't need them, so we need to change the mindset. It's a win-win for communities, businesses, and the environment.??? Thank you for listening.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:43 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Banaf

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:57 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: We have been dealing with the pandemic for the past year, and hopefully soon, the worst of it will be behind us. The climate crisis however, is something we have yet to fully come to grips with as a society. The seemingly endless amount of plastic waste is something that we can and must deal with now. Something as simple as "skipping the stuff" can help the county reduce the amount of single use waste generated by restaurants who so badly need our support. Please, I urge the council to support this measure and help us and future generations to have a fighting chance to deal with this existential crisis while we still can.

Communication from Public

Name: Tristyn Donovan

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 06:37 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkiptheStuff agenda item #7. Providing take out extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects the environment. Single use plastic trash from the restaurant Deliveries and take out orders is a big problem. #skipthestuff

Communication from Public

Name: Connie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:47 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Single-use plastic trash from restaurant deliveries and takeout orders is a big problem #SkiptheStuff. ?

Communication from Public

Name: Carrie Smith

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:10 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff, agenda item #7. Nine times out of ten, when I order takeout, it's to eat at home or at the office. Where I have ketchup. And napkins. And forks. I have received more plastic crap than I can count over the years, and despite reusing the utensils and composting the napkins I can, so, so much of that has ended up in landfill. I try to support local restaurants as much as I can, especially during covid, but all the plastic utensils are concerning and frustrating. Not having to worry about wasteful plastic extras would make me feel better about the environmental impact of doing so. The climate crisis is here. I'd like to have local restaurants to support 20, 30 years from now. I urge you to vote "Yes" on Agenda Item #7, to ensure that future is protected. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Alex

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:22 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment! The majority of people ordering delivery already have spoons, forks, and knives at home that they prefer over plastic.

Communication from Public

Name: Elizabeth Pan

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:22 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Providing takeout "extras" only on-request saves restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. I know that I never really need it anyways, would love if our environment was saved instead. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Phil

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:36 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Sample Comment: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Anthony Scarcello

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 06:47 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Alex M

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 06:51 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support the #SkiptheStuff Agenda Item #7. Plastic pollution is an international crisis, and it is important that LA do its part in combatting this crisis in any way possible. Providing takeout utensils only when a customer asks ensures that extra single-use waste does not become a burden to customers. It also saves the restaurants money in reducing the amount of utensils they have to buy. The best impact of this change will be the environmental impact: reducing our reliance on plastic is one of the many important ways we can move to a brighter future. Thank you for your consideration.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 06:54 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Cedric Ramirez

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:08 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware such as utensils to be given as per request. This a action is much needed to continue fighting the environmental disaster we are creating and as a plus we help restaurants save money especially now with the pandemic. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment for years to come.??? I commend the council for their leadership and we are all hoping that this motion passes so that we take a step forward in helping earth as much as we can before it is too late. I really appreciate everyone hard work during these tough times. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Christy

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:21 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Changing the law to give utensils only when requested is a no-brainer WIN for everyone. It saves waste and money for restaurants. It's the bare minimum we can do.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:29 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: i am in support of agenda item #7 as i believe that only including single use plastic items when asked fir could greatly reduce the plastic waste created daily in americ.

Communication from Public

Name: cheryl auger

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:33 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Justine Mouron

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:45 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support the Skip the Stuff Agenda Item 7. Providing takeout extras only when requested. In these times, a good majority of people are eating at home, and this should not be an equity issue. I care about saving LA Restaurants money, taxpayer money for waste processing, and protecting the environment. Have you seen a photo of the beach after a big rain?

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:49 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support skip the stuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested (especially with takeout being so common right now with the pandemic), saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste and protects the environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Ana

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:53 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #skipthestuff agenda item #7 Providing extras only when requested saves restaurants money, reduces waste and protects our environment. It's about time !

Communication from Public

Name: Veronica Rafkind

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:58 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support agenda item 17, the “Skip the Stuff” motion, to limit single use plastics by requiring restaurants to provide extras only when requested. This is an easy and smart way to decrease waste and plastic pollution, especially as a coastal city. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Elizabeth M.

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:59 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I STRONGLY SUPPORT #SkipTheStuff agenda item #7.
Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA
restaurants money, reduces waste & protects our environment/
planet!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:59 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As someone with an Environmental Science & Policy degree, I strongly support this bill for the environment, human, and marine life.

Communication from Public

Name: Elizabeth Sala

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 07:59 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Douglas

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:00 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Lindsea

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:01 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Liz D'Alessio

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:01 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Please help us make these simple but vital changes, which affect not only our community, but also the entire world.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:03 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Tara Barauskas

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:05 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today! Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Kristin
Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:05 PM
Council File No: 21-0064
Comments for Public Posting: I support #7!!

Communication from Public

Name: Jessica Perkins

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:12 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Ernie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:18 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: As an avid restaurant take-out customer. I ask the restaurant to NOT provide foodware accessories. Items such as single use plastic utensils from restaurants pile up in my home and end up in the trash never used. This saves money for the restaurant and waste management costs. Plastic mostly NOT recycled. We need to stop filling landfills with products that are never used. Please pass this motion!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:19 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Single-use plastic trash from restaurant deliveries and takeout orders is a big problem #SkiptheStuff.

Communication from Public

Name: Brian Katz

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:20 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. I HATE all the extra crap that restaurants give you because they assume all their customers are gluttonous and wasteful and don't think about the wider world around them. Let's have some shared responsibility. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Isabella Rovai

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:31 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: “There is no planet B,” is a reminder to all humans that we must fight for protecting and conserving nature as much as possible in order for future generations to live sustainably on Earth. We must start now and start small and that only happens when humans become aware of the convenient yet damaging lifestyle we have created for ourselves. Reducing single waste plastic is only the start, but makes the biggest difference. Bringing awareness to this issue will only make bigger changes to ensure the future of our children. So let’s us start now.

Communication from Public

Name: Zeljka Hizak

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 08:31 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:37 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support agenda item #7, as it provides takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Lisa Brooks

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:49 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Single-use plastic trash from restaurant deliveries and takeout orders is a big problem #SkiptheStuff

Communication from Public

Name: Jamie Perlman

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:52 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support. Food Ware Accessories Upon-Request Ordinance aka #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment. Use Council File Number [21-0064]

Communication from Public

Name: Libby McCann

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:57 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Skip The Stuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested will save LA restaurants money, reduce single use waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Meishya Yang-Lopez

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:59 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item No. 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require that food-ware accessories be provided on request only. I have been ordering more take-out and delivery over the past year to support our local businesses, but am drowning in unwanted plasticware and other single-use disposable utensils and napkins. Providing these take-out "extras" only on request will save restaurants money and reduces unnecessary single-use disposable waste. #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and the environment. I commend the LA City Council for your leadership and strongly urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important and timely matter, and let's #SkipTheStuff !

Communication from Public

Name: Denisse
Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:59 PM
Council File No: 21-0064
Comments for Public Posting: I support item #7 #skipthestuff!!

Communication from Public

Name: Saran K.

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:06 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Because my family has always brought their own containers when eating out I find that I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Vanessa Mah

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:07 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion to require foodware accessories on-request. Single-use plastics are a huge problem for our oceans and our environment, and while this might seem like a small step, every bit counts. Not only that, as someone who occasionally orders takeout I can say I only actually need the provided utensils like 1 out of every 20 times, since most of the time I'm ordering food to eat at home anyway. Not only that, this new ruling will end up saving restaurants money! #SkipTheStuff is a win-win for our LA communities, businesses, and environment.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Kim

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:07 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Who doesn't love a Win-Win?! I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment today.

Communication from Public

Name: Jennifer Marquez

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:10 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Please pass this as we find so much plastic take-items in the LA Port polluting our local waterways.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:18 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? This is a no-brainer as many restaurants already provide water and straws on request either voluntarily or involuntarily. Let me remind you that plastics are made from fossil fuels and the best alternatives are good old refusal/reduction and using zero-waste reusables, not other disposables regardless of the material. Watch out for The American Chemistry Council, Plastics Industry Association, similar organizations and their army of unethical lobbyists for they are going to push the broken recycling system, jobs/economy, public health, some creative propaganda campaign on unsuspecting or unethical politicians and consumers. Quote from an Intercept article: "Once regarded mostly as an eyesore or a nuisance, plastic waste is now widely understood to be a cause of species extinction, ecological devastation, and human health problems." (<https://theintercept.com/2019/07/20/plastics-industry-plastic-recycling/>). I should also mention environmental injustice and racism. Fossil fuel and polluting industries are almost always located in or near low income/marginalized communities of color all around the world. I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Callie

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:32 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I would like to voice my support of Skip the Stuff agenda item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste and helps the environment. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Communication from Public

Name: Kent

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 11:53 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: Please support the #SkipTheStuff motion to require food service businesses to supply foodware accessories only on request. It is too common for eateries to just toss this stuff in, whether it is needed or not. That is waste that we can and should do something about. 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Kathryn M.

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:14 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I am in support of #skipthestuff motion. Customers should opt in if they want utensils to help reduce plastic utensils waste. Every time I go to a takeout restaurant, I have to ask for no utensils because they are always given out. This will help reduce the amount of plastic thrown out by customers and restaurants.

Communication from Public

Name: Timothy Cheung

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:15 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support Agenda Item 7, the #SkipTheStuff motion 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.??? I commend the council for their leadership and urge you to pass this motion today. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Communication from Public

Name: Juliana Fong

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:20 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support the Food Ware Accessories Upon-Request Only Ordinance. Providing takeout extras only when requested saves money for Los Angeles' restaurants, reduces waste, eliminates extra items that many of us don't want or use, and, most importantly, protects our environment. As a high school junior, I urge you to pass this ordinance. It will inconvenience no one and is a small step towards saving the only home that we have - earth.

Communication from Public

Name: Maggie Leung

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:25 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support #SkipTheStuff Agenda Item #7. Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Charlie Schmidlin

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 10:28 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support the #skipthestuff motion- Agenda Item #7.
Providing takeout extras only when requested, saves LA
restaurants money, reduces waste, and protects our environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Georgiana Tutunaru

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:48 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Adrian Velicescu

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:50 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Luca Velicescu

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:52 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: D. Masci

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:54 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: I am in support of #skipthestuff in order to reduce plastic utensil waste by restaurants. This will help businesses, customers, and the environment.

Communication from Public

Name: Helen Tocco

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:56 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

Comments for Public Posting: This legislation will help reduce Angelenos' climate footprint while also saving restaurants money. To me it seems like a no brainer. Especially during the pandemic, so many of us have found ourselves ordering takeout to support our local restaurants, but then we end up with a drawer of extra plastic utensils. This is one small but very important step we can and must take to reduce our climate impact.

Communication from Public

Name: Rachel Heil

Date Submitted: 03/16/2021 09:57 PM

Council File No: 21-0064

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