

Dear Edmonton City Council,

**Re: Support for Single-Use Plastics Strategy for Edmonton**

Single-Use Plastic items (such as bags, straws, and coffee cups) are used for mere seconds to minutes but are made out of material that will last forever. Globally, we produce approximately 200 million tonnes of single-use plastics annually. These items are polluting the land and waterways, killing wildlife, and making their way into our food chain. They also don't make good business sense.

As business owners/managers, we support City Council implementing measures to reduce the amount of Single-Use Plastics in Edmonton. More specifically, we support the creation of a comprehensive Single-Use Plastics strategy that regulates and restricts plastic bags, straws, coffee cups, utensils, and take-out containers.

The City providing such direction will ensure consistency and clarity for businesses and customers. It will also create a level-playing field that treats all businesses equally.

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