

From: [Jacobson, Jonathan](#)
To: [Rosenson, Valerie](#)
Cc: [Lee, Benjamin](#)
Subject: Fw: banning straws
Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 9:08:47 AM

Valerie,

Please include this as part of the legislative history for the straw ban. Ben, I will ask that this correspondence be read into the record at our meeting.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Jacobson
Stamford Board of Representatives
District 12

From: Colleluori, Dan
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 7:40 AM
To: Jacobson, Jonathan
Cc: McGrath, Mark
Subject: banning straws

Although I cannot attend the Public Hearing on Tuesday February 18th I would like to provide my support for the implementation of the ordinance to ban plastic straws in Stamford. I believe an ordinance should be implemented that bans plastic straws in restaurants and food establishments except for those patrons that require a straws and request it based on a physical handicap.

Plastic Straws are NOT accepted in the single Stream recycling program in Stamford, nor within the State of CT's per RecycleCT "What's in , What's Out" Guide to Recycling. Disposal of plastic straws requires that they are disposed of into the garbage . We all have seen that they are often found are often found as loose litter on the ground or worse floating in the Ocean or Sound. National attention has recently been brought to the forefront in showing the harm plastic straws are doing to our environment and habitat and many shows and articles point out the amount of animals and fish that are affected by their ingesting of plastic straws.

My thought is that similar to the plastic bag ban the Public will get used to establishments not providing straws with minimal impact on our citizens day to day life. The creation of this new ordinance will result in cost savings for restaurants and food establishments, create a more litter free City and result in less of our waste stream ultimately going to landfills.

Please let me know if I can provide you any additional information or how I can assist with the

passing of this ordinance.

Thank you.

Dan Colleluori
Director of Recycling & Sanitation