

From: Liz
To: Clerks Richmondhill
Sent: Mon 5/20/2019 4:40 PM
Subject: Single Use Plastics Motion

Dear Clerk - I am writing to express my support for the above-noted motion to be considered by Council on May 28th. I have been living in Oak Ridges for almost 19 years and for all but 2 of those years have participated in the Lake Wilcox/Oak Ridges community clean up day in April.

Coffee cup lids, stir sticks, drinking straws, water and pop bottles, grocery bags and plastic packaging account for a significant portion of what community volunteers pick up each year. And most of this stuff can not be recycled. As a dog-owner I have the privilege of walking daily in every month of the year around the many lovely parks and wetlands which the Town has had the foresight to preserve. It is grim to see how plastics, many of them "single-use" are marring green spaces for people and impacting on bird and animal habitat.

We've got to start somewhere to turn this around. This study is a good first step. I hope it will quickly lead to Council adopting concrete strategies to reduce and where feasible, ban single-use plastics. I am prepared to help. I believe it matters to our kids and grandkids and to the planet that we act where can.

I'd appreciate it if you would please advise me of the outcome of Council deliberations on this matter.

Regards

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