

RESOLUTION No. **37370** *As Amended*

Direct the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to develop a strategy to reduce single-use non-recyclable plastic including plastic straws (Resolution)

WHEREAS, approximately 8.8 million tons of plastic pollution flows into the ocean each year, and this amount is expected to double by 2025; and

WHEREAS, over 663 species including the majority of sea turtles, marine mammals, and seabirds are known to be impacted by plastic, either by ingesting or becoming entangled in plastic debris; and

WHEREAS, plastic does not biodegrade but instead breaks down into smaller pieces that can turn into microplastic, which is becoming more prevalent in the ocean and has been shown to enter the marine food chain; and

WHEREAS, plastic is commonly transported into the ocean from land-based sources, both directly and via river systems and wastewater treatment effluent; and

WHEREAS, plastic straws are consistently cited as one of the top ten contributors to marine debris pollution; and

WHEREAS, plastic straws are not recyclable and frequently contaminate material that is processed through the City's curbside recycling and composting programs; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, City Council adopted Resolution No. 36384, which establishes watershed health goals including protecting and improving surface water and groundwater quality to protect public health and support native fish and wildlife populations and biological communities; and

WHEREAS, plastic straws persist in ecosystems for decades and degrade watershed health; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2015, City Council passed Resolution No. 37135, to adopt the 2015 Climate Action Plan that prioritizes waste prevention strategies for reducing plastic and encourages reuse through buying durable products; and

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2016, City Council passed Ordinance Nos. 187832 and 188177, to adopt the 2035 Comprehensive Plan that includes supporting and improving environmental conditions regarding land and watershed health; and

WHEREAS, City Council acknowledges that many Portland businesses have taken affirmative steps to reduce single-use non-recyclable plastics and Council recognizes their proactive efforts; and

WHEREAS, Consideration will be given to caregiving facilities that have functional reasons for using straws for patients in need and will be considered in the strategy.

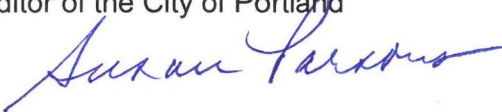
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council and the Mayor direct the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to introduce a single-use non-recyclable plastic reduction strategy including plastic straws that will include addressing considerations of the Americans with Disabilities Act, no later than October 1, 2018.

Adopted by the Council: JUN 20 2018  
Mayor Ted Wheeler

Prepared by: Pete Chism-Winfield,  
Bureau of Planning and Sustainability

Date Prepared: May 24, 2018


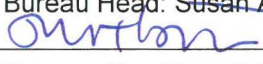
**Mary Hull Caballero**  
Auditor of the City of Portland

By 

Deputy

Title

Direct the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to Develop a Strategy to Reduce Single-Use Non-Recyclable Plastic, Including Plastic Straws (Resolution)

<p><b>INTRODUCED BY</b> Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Ted Wheeler</b></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JUN 12 2018</u></p>
<p><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By:  Deputy</p> <p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p>
<p>Mayor—Finance &amp; Administration – Wheeler <i>W</i></p>	
<p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p>	
<p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p>	
<p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p>	
<p>Position 4/Safety - Eudaly</p>	
<p><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p>	
<p>Bureau: Planning and Sustainability Bureau Head: <del>Susan Anderson</del> <i>Juliá Thompson</i> </p>	
<p>Prepared by: Pete Chism-Winfield Date Prepared: May 24, 2018</p>	
<p>Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p><b>City Auditor Office Approval:</b> required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b> required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date <b>June 20, 2018</b></p>	

<p><b>AGENDA</b> <i>2 of 2</i></p>
<p><b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: <del>2:30</del> <b>3:30</b></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: <b>1 hour</b> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p><b>CONSENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p><b>REGULAR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Fish	2. Fish	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wheeler	Wheeler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	