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From: Anna Boyd <annaboyd2001@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 7:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB64 bill support

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Dear Council member,
I am writing today to ask that you support CB64, a fee on plastic bags.

Every minute of every day a garbage truck full of plastic enters our waterways. It is an environmental and health crisis unfolding before our eyes.

CB64 will not only address this crisis by reducing plastic, but it will also bring increased awareness to the community so we can move forward and turn the tide on plastic pollution.

This bill gives consumers a choice as it is a completely avoidable fee. It also makes the important link between consumers actions and the impact their actions have on the environment. Best of all, fees have been proven to work to change behavior and reduce plastic pollution.

Plastic bags in particular have a plethora of negative impacts:

Plastic bags are not biodegradable. They clog waterways, spoil the landscape, and end up in landfills where they may take 1,000 years or more to break up into ever smaller particles that continue to pollute the soil and water.

Plastic bags continue to release Methane, a powerful greenhouse gas, as they break up.

Plastic bags in drainage pipes pollutes water directly or indirectly.

Plastic bags also pose a serious danger to birds and marine mammals that often mistake them for food. Thousands die each year after swallowing or choking on discarded plastic bags.

Trillions of bags are produced yearly worldwide, with only 1% being recycled.

Finally, producing plastic bags requires millions of gallons of petroleum that could be used for transportation or heating.

We do not have time to wait.

The County Council board has this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Let's be that leadership others will follow. Let's make history.

Thank you for your support on CB64,
Anna Boyd

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From: Alyssa Mcguigan <alysstar04@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 5:07 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB64, a ban on plastic bags

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Dear Council member,
I am writing today to ask that you support CB64, a fee on plastic bags.

The plastic bag that has your food and groceries in it, has a lifespan of 30 minutes. You get food, you put the food in your fridge, and then discard the bag.

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Trillions of bags are produced yearly worldwide, with only 1% being recycled. Finally, producing plastic bags requires millions of gallons of petroleum that could be used for transportation or heating. Fossil fuels we will need.

This bill has been pushed for 9 times and will continue to be pushed for if we do not take a stand. This bill will allow the public to finally pay attention to the disastrous effects of plastic.

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Thank you for your support on CB64.

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From: Peggy Hannon <peggyhannon@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 11:45 AM
To: CouncilMail; Walsh, Elizabeth; Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David
Subject: Support CB64

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Dear Council Member,

I am writing to ask for your support of CB64, a fee on plastic bags in our county.

At some point we all have to stand up for our environment...any attempt to curb the overuse of plastic in our community seems a reasonable place to begin. Every minute of every day a garbage truck full of plastic enters our waterways. It is an environmental and health crisis unfolding before our eyes.

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For obvious reasons, please support CB64, and take a stand for the environment.

Thank you,
Peggy Hannon
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