



June 8, 2020

Chris Raynor
Regional Clerk, York Region
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

RE: [SINGLE USE PLASTIC REDUCTION STRATEGY - PHASE 1 \(5.1\)](#)

Dear Mr. Raynor;

This will confirm that at a meeting held May 26, 2020, the Council of the City of Markham adopted the following resolution:

1. That the report entitled “Single Use Plastic Reduction Strategy – Phase 1” be received; and,
2. That the presentation entitled “Single Use Plastic Reduction Strategy - Phase 1 - Presentation” be received; and,
3. That the Memorandum – Styrofoam Recycling Program Cost Analysis (Single Use Plastics Program) be received; and,
4. That the Waste and Environmental Management Department undertake a review of all municipal facilities for opportunities to eliminate or reduce non-essential single use plastic (“SUP”) products and collaborate with the appropriate staff to source alternative products; and,
5. That a community-wide education program be implemented to raise awareness of the SUP issue and provide options for SUP reduction; and,
6. That effective October 20, 2020 (Waste Reduction Week) non-food packaging Styrofoam be banned from curbside collection; and,
7. That staff report back on the results of Phase 1 actions and outline Phase 2 recommendations regarding the implementation of a potential municipal by-law or other methods to reduce plastic retail shopping bags and polystyrene convenience food containers from distribution in Markham including the estimated financial impact and legal implications associated with the implementation and enforcement of a by-law; and,
8. That a copy of this report and recommendations be forwarded to York Region and the local municipalities for their information; and further,
9. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Should you have any questions, please contact Claudia Marsales at 905.477.7000 ext. 3560.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kimberley Kitteringham'.

Kimberley Kitteringham
City Clerk

[Memorandum - May 12, 2020
Presentation](#)

Cc: Local Municipalities