



<b>CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUEST</b>			
<b>Department(s):</b> Environmental Services	<b>Date:</b> 6/11/18	<b>Coordination:</b> City Manager's Office and City Attorney	<b>Dept. Approval:</b> /s/ Kerrie Romanow
			<b>CMO Approval:</b> 
<b>SUBJECT:</b> AB 1884 (Calderon and Bloom) Food facilities: single-use plastic straws			
<b>RECOMMENDED POSITION:</b> SUPPORT			
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adopt a position of support for AB 1884 (Calderon and Bloom).</li> <li>2. Recommend a one-week turnaround to the June 26, 2018 City Council Meeting so that the City's legislative representative can advocate the City's support for AB 1884.</li> </ol>			
<b>BILL SYNOPSIS:</b>			
<p>This bill would prohibit a food facility, where food may be consumed on the premises, from providing single-use plastic straws to consumers unless requested by the consumer. The first and second violations of these provisions would result in a warning and any subsequent violation would be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$25 for each day the food facility is in violation, but not to exceed an annual total of \$300.</p> <p>AB 1884 excludes public and private school cafeterias, restricted food service facilities, licensed health care facilities, commissaries, mobile food facilities, mobile support units, temporary food facilities, vending machines, certified farmers' markets, farm stands, fishermen's markets, and a food facility with a self-service beverage station from its provisions.</p> <p>Bill language: <a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1884">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1884</a></p>			
<b>IMPACTS TO CITY OF SAN JOSE:</b>			
<p>This bill would reduce the amount of food-related single use plastics being disposed of or littered in San José. The City defines "zero waste" as landfilling no more than 10 percent of waste, or recycling 90 percent. As of 2016 the overall recycling rate in San José was 69 percent. ESD is expanding efforts to reduce waste generation at the source, and this bill has the potential to help the City reach its goals.</p> <p>Under its Municipal Regional Permit, the City monitors "Trash Hot Spot" sites along its creeks. At 10 out of 32 sites, the City characterizes and records the number and type of items for a portion of the collected trash. Plastic straw litter accounts for 1% of the total trash collected at these sites. Furthermore, the Ocean Conservancy reports that straws are among the top 10 items collected during trash cleanups in California and globally. This bill also has the potential to reduce water usage and greenhouse gas emissions related to the production of these products and result in cost savings to businesses.</p>			
<b>POLICY ALIGNMENT:</b>			
<p>This bill aligns with City's Legislative Guiding Principle to promote sustainable development, environmental protection, and support actions that reduce waste generation at the source.</p>			

**SUPPORTERS/OPPONENTS:****Supporters:**

5 Gyres Institute  
Algalita Marine Research and Education  
Azul  
California Association of Professional Scientists  
California Coastkeeper Alliance  
California League of Conservation Voters  
Californians Against Waste  
CALPIRG  
Center for Biological Diversity  
Center for Oceanic Awareness, Research, and Education  
Chico Bag  
City and County of San Francisco  
City of West Hollywood  
Clean Water Action  
Defenders of Wildlife  
Environment California  
Environmental Working Group  
Friends Committee on Legislation of CA  
Heal the Bay  
Los Angeles City Councilmember Paul Koretz  
National Parks Conservation Association  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Plastic Pollution Coalition  
Save the Bay  
Seventh Generation Advisors  
Sierra Club California  
StopWaste  
Surfrider Foundation  
The Last Plastic Straw  
The Story of Stuff Project  
Trust for Public Land  
UPSTREAM Policy  
WILDCOAST  
Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation  
Zero Waste USA  
2 Individuals

**Opponents:**

None on file

**STATUS OF BILL:**

AB 1884 will be heard in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on June 20, 2018.

**FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT:** Ken Davies, Sustainability and Compliance Manager at 408-975-2587.