

The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT CHECKOUT BAG REGULATION BYLAW No. 4806, 2022

In accordance with Section 59 of the *Community Charter*, notice is hereby given that the District of Oak Bay Council will consider first, second and third reading of "*Checkout Bag Regulation Bylaw No. 4806, 2022*" at the April 25, 2022 regular Council meeting, beginning at 6:00PM. A public input opportunity will be provided on this matter.

The purpose of this Bylaw is to regulate the provision of checkout bags. If adopted, the Bylaw will prohibit businesses from providing plastic bags at the point of purchase and implement a minimum charge for paper and reusable bags. The fees will be charged and collected by individual businesses, with the aim of helping the businesses recover the cost of allowable paper bags, while also decreasing demand for single-use plastic checkout bags. The Bylaw will also improve regional consistency regarding the regulation of single-use plastic checkout bags.

NEED MORE INFORMATION? If you wish to view the Bylaw, visit the project page on the District's website at www.oakbay.ca/plastics or in the agenda for the April 25, 2022 Council meeting posted at https://oakbay.civicweb.net/portal. A copy is also available at the front reception at Oak Bay Municipal Hall (2167 Oak Bay Avenue), between the hours of 8:30AM and 4:30PM, excluding weekends and statutory holidays.

PROVIDE YOUR THOUGHTS? Members of the public are encouraged to submit comments in advance of the meeting. Please submit by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting by:

- Email: administration@oakbay.ca
- Mail: Oak Bay Council, 2167 Oak Bay Ave, Victoria, BC, V8R 1G2
- Drop Box: Main door, Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Ave

All correspondence submitted will form part of the public record and may be published in a meeting agenda accompanying the bylaw for consideration.

ATTEND OR WATCH THE MEETING: In person attendance remains limited in order to adhere to workplace safety recommendations for physical distancing, in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please reach out to administration@oakbay.ca if you wish to attend in person. Members of the public can watch the meeting from home via the live webcast from the District's website https://oakbay.civicweb.net/portal/ or participate electronically during the public input opportunity via Zoom. Please email administration@oakbay.ca for instructions to join via Zoom by computer/mobile device or phone. This information will also be included on the front page of the April 25, 2022 Agenda and on the screen during the livestream.

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