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Subject: FW: Question Regarding Reusable Cups

Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

As the question below pertains to a report on the Council agenda tomorrow, I am writing to share the following comments in response.

Q: If the Province has allowed acceptance of reusable cups since June 2020, why is further time needed for businesses to review operations now?

- Public health requirements to accept customers' reusable cups are the same now as they were before COVID. We expect that businesses that were accepting customers' cups before COVID will start doing so again sooner than July 1, if they haven't already.
- The additional time is being provided for businesses that need to update their food safety and sanitation plans, to have them reviewed and approved by health authorities.
- For example, this would be needed for businesses that did not previously accept customers' reusable cups for some or all drinks. This could include where businesses use automated dispensers and soda fountains.
- Vancouver Coastal Health advised that July 1, 2022 would be doable.
- Staff would also use the time to consult businesses to determine exemptions needed to accommodate security requirements. For example, our understanding is that some performance venues do not allow certain reusable cups (e.g. metal travel mugs) for security reasons. Staff would benefit from the time in order to address security related issues in performance venues and propose appropriate approaches or potential bylaw amendments.

Thanks,
Paul

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Subject: Advance question Cup Bylaw Report

Paul,

A question in advance of Committee Wednesday.

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Thanks

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