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City of Long Beach Polystyrene Food Packaging Ordinance

Administrative Rules and Regulations

Pursuant to Long Beach Municipal Code section 8.63.040, the undersigned Director of the Department of Public Works hereby adopts these rules and regulations concerning Long Beach Municipal Code section 8.63.010 et seq, the City of Long Beach Polystyrene Food Packaging Ordinance (the “Ordinance”), for the purpose of clarifying the administrative requirements of the Ordinance.

1. Enforcement Timing: City facilities, with the exceptions specified in the Ordinance, must be in compliance with the Ordinance three months, September 3, 2018, from the effective date of the Ordinance.

Large food providers must be in compliance nine months, March 3, 2019, from the effective date of the Ordinance.

Small food providers, as defined, must be in compliance eighteen months, December 3, 2019, from the effective date of the Ordinance. Prior to this, in approximately August 2019, the City will prepare and present a study of the effects of the Ordinance to date.

Polystyrene, craft beads and polystyrene coolers may not be sold or distributed eighteen months, December 3, 2019 from the effective date of the Ordinance.

2. Large food providers, defined as those providing or selling prepared food to the general public for on-site or take-away consumption, include restaurants seating more than 101 persons. This tier includes: any franchise restaurant as defined by the ordinance, grocery or convenience store, any food truck, and Long Beach Unified School District.

3. Small food providers, defined as those providing or selling prepared food to the general public for on-site or take-away consumption, include restaurants seating fewer than 100 persons. This tier also includes all other providers.

4. Straws and utensils for take-away shall only be provided upon customer request, including at City facilities effective eighteen months, December 3, 2019 from the effective date of the Ordinance.
This regulation was posted soliciting comments not less than 21 days prior to adoption at City Hall public counters and on Public Works/Environmental Service Bureau's website, and were posted an additional ten days thereafter prior to becoming final.

Craig Beck, Director of Public Works

Date

Pursuant to LBMC 8.63.040, these draft regulations have been posted for not less than twenty-one days for the purpose of soliciting public comments. Please submit written comments to foamfreelb@longbeach.gov. If you have questions regarding submission of comments, please call 562-570-2850.

I, Erin Rowland, Waste Diversion/Recycling Office, Environmental Services Bureau, certify that these draft regulations were posted at June 8, 2018 at the Plaza in the Civic Center and online at www.longbeach/recycles/

Signature: Erin Rowland 06/08/18