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December 18, 2019

The Honourable Jeff Yurek,  
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
College Park 5th Flr, 777 Bay St,  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

**Re: Ban of Single-Use Plastic Handled Shopping Bags**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Woodstock passed the following resolution at its regular Council meeting held on December 12, 2019:

“That Woodstock City Council continue to support the single-use plastic handled shopping bag ban in principle but defer a decision regarding implementation until the Provincial and/or Federal governments have announced their decision and plans for a ban;

And further that Woodstock City Council supports a harmonized ban of single-use plastic shopping bags across the Province of Ontario;

And further that staff be directed to participate in the consultations with the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks with respect to the new producer responsibility model for the Blue Box Program, including discussing solutions with respect to single-use plastic shopping bags;

And further that Council pre-approve \$5,000 in the 2020 revenue fund budget in order for the Woodstock Environment Advisory Committee to undertake a public education campaign to educate and encourage Woodstock residents to reduce the use and consumption of single-use plastic shopping bags;

And further that this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and all Ontario municipalities.”

Yours Truly,

Amelia Humphries, B. Math, M.P.A.  
City Clerk

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