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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager

**From:** Tracy Durnell, Environmental Education and Outreach Specialist  
Jenna McInnis, Recycling Programs Coordinator  
John MacGillivray, Solid Waste Programs Supervisor  
Kathy Brown, Public Works Director

**Date:** March 26, 2019

**Subject:** Single-use Food Service Ware and Recycling Update

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council receive two informational presentations at its April 2, 2019 Study Session covering the follow topics:

1. **Single-use Food Service Ware Reduction Policies.** Staff will present background information on the various aspects of single-use food service ware and policies that could be considered to reduce the use of polystyrene, plastic utensils, and plastic straws in the food service industry in Kirkland. The presentation will also include details on pending legislation in the State Legislature related to the policy options. On March 22, 2019, staff provided a presentation on this topic to the Public Works, Parks, and Human Services Committee. The [Polystyrene Introductory Report](#) can be found on the City of Kirkland Solid Waste website.
2. **Recycling Update.** Staff will provide an update on the performance of Kirkland's recycling programs and the innovative services available to Kirkland's residents and businesses. The briefing will also include an update on the impact of Kirkland's enhanced focus on multi-family recycling programs funded by the Council in 2017-2018 and continued in the 2019-2020 biennial budget.