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# Staff Report

## City of Manhattan Beach

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Montgomery and Members of the City Council

**THROUGH:** Geoff Dolan, City Manager

**FROM:** Lindy Coe-Juell, Assistant to the City Manager

**DATE:** July 15, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of an Ordinance to Prohibit the Use of Plastic Carry-Out Bags in Manhattan Beach

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 2115. This ordinance will ban all point-of-sale plastic carry-out bags within the City of Manhattan Beach. This ban would take effect for grocery stores, food vendors, restaurants, pharmacies and City facilities six months after the ordinance is adopted and one year after adoption for all other retail establishments and vendors.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATION:**

There are no direct budget implications related to the Staff recommendation. There will, however, be Staff time involved with outreach and education. Also, though we expect a high rate of compliance, there may be Staff time involved with enforcement issues.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City Council, as a part of its 2008-2009 Work Plan, asked Staff to investigate and provide information on strategies to ban plastic bag use, including what other cities have done. On July 1, 2008, after a thorough review of the issue, City Council introduced and waived further reading of Ordinance No. 2115. The July 1<sup>st</sup> Staff report, including the Initial Study conducted in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and all materials reviewed in preparation of the report, can be found on the City website at [www.citymb.info](http://www.citymb.info).

It should be noted that due to an error in scanning a double-sided version of the July 1<sup>st</sup> report on Friday June 27<sup>th</sup>, the electronic copy uploaded to the website that day contained approximately 250 of the actual 489 page report. This oversight was discovered during the July 1<sup>st</sup> City Council meeting and was corrected immediately. The City Council packets as delivered to the Councilmembers on June 27<sup>th</sup> contained the entire 489 page report and the public copy available for review at City Hall on the same day also contained the report in its entirety.

**ATTACHMENT:** Ordinance No. 2115