### FAQs

**What would the ordinance include?**
The proposed ordinance will prohibit the use, sale and distribution of single-use plastic and polystyrene items in Beverly Hills businesses and City events and facilities.

**Why adopt this ordinance?**
The production, consumption, and disposal of plastic and polystyrene items is associated with a variety of negative impacts on human health and the environment, including trash buildup in the landfill, and risks to human and marine health due to plastic pollution in waterways.

**Who will be impacted?**
- Grocery stores
- Hotels
- Restaurants
- City facilities
- Snack shops
- Food trucks
- Farmers markets
- Cafes/coffee shops
- Retail stores
- Convenience stores

**What plastic and foam items will be prohibited?**

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**What materials will be allowed?**
- Fiber
- Wood
- Cardboard
- Wheat straw
- Sugarcane
- Bamboo
- Materials that are "backyard compostable"
- Non polystyrene, non plastic, and non bio-based plastic

**What is the timeline?**
Staff will be taking the ordinance to Council in the next few months for consideration.

City operations will have six (6) months after approval to implement.

Businesses in Beverly Hills will have one (1) year after approval to implement.

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