

# Disposable Bags Are A Waste.

- Across the city, we use **360 million disposable bags** a year, costing the city (taxpayers) **17 cents per bag** for disposal and cleanup.
- It costs **\$4,000 to process and recycle 1 ton of plastic bags**, which can then be sold on the commodities market for \$32.
- They catch in **trees**, clog our **waterways**, pollute our **oceans** and endanger our **wildlife**.

## Don't Be Fooled By Big Oil's Bag Of Tricks.

- The production of plastic bags requires petroleum and often natural gas, **increasing our dependency** on foreign suppliers.
- Exxon Mobil, Dow Chemical and their friends at the American Chemistry Council have dumped an unprecedented **\$500,000 of new, out-of-state cash into the campaign against Referendum 1**. This is the LARGEST single contribution spent on a local-ballot measure in recent history and it is in addition to the \$250,000 they have already spent.

**Approving Referendum 1 Would Reduce  
The Use Of Disposable Bags By 70%.**



# APPROVE REF. 1

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