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Re: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Dear business owner:

In 2020, Virginia General Assembly passed SB11 - *Disposable plastic bags; local tax*, which authorizes any county or city in Virginia to impose a tax of five cents per bag on disposable plastic bags provided to customers by **convenience stores, drug stores, and grocery stores**.

In partnership with the Northern Virginia Regional Commission, the City of Alexandria is seeking feedback from impacted regulated communities regarding their current plastic bag practices, what they anticipate as challenges with implementation of a plastic bag tax, and what resources would be helpful to communicate the plastic bag fee to their customers and staff.

Please take a moment to fill out a brief survey to share with the City your feedback on the plastic bag fee. The survey will close May 31, 2021. Your feedback will help inform the City as it considers a local ordinance for a plastic bag fee in Alexandria.

Survey Link: <https://tinyurl.com/VAplasticbagsurvey>

For questions related to the survey or the plastic bag fee, please feel free to reach out to WasteSmart@alexandriava.gov.

Sincerely,

Helen Lee