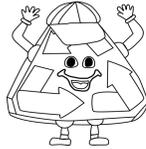




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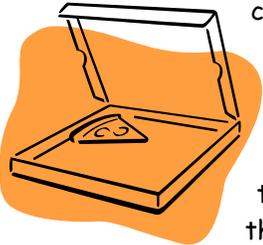
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Are Pizza Boxes Recyclable or not? Important Facts on Recycling

Public Services

The Pizza Box Mystery. Many people assume that pizza boxes are recyclable. In fact, most boxes have recycling symbols on them and are traditionally made from corrugated cardboard. They are, in and of themselves, recyclable.



However, what make parts of them non-recyclable are the hot, tasty treat that comes inside them, specifically, the grease and cheese from pizza that soil the cardboard.

So there you have it, pizza boxes that are tarnished with food, or any paper product that is stained with grease or food, are not recyclable - unless you remove the tainted portions.

But why is this? And what are the implications for the general, pizza-loving public? Mmm, pizza.

How it Gets Recycled. Food is one of the worst contaminants in the paper recycling process. Grease and oil are not as big of a problem for plastic, metal and glass, as those materials are recycled using a heat process. But when paper

products, like cardboard, are recycled, they are mixed with water and turned into a slurry. Since we all know water and oil don't mix, the issue is clear.

Grease from pizza boxes causes oil to form at the top of the slurry, and paper fibers cannot separate from oils during the pulping process. Essentially, this contaminant causes the entire batch to be ruined. This is the reason that other food related items are non-recyclable (used paper plates, used napkins, used paper towels, etc). Also, be mindful of adhesives that may be on the pizza box (coupons, stickers, etc.) as those are contaminants. Known as "pressure sensitive adhesives (PSAs)" these can ruin the recycling process just as much as oil or food remains.

Sneaks. Many people admit trying to "sneak" their pizza boxes in with cardboard boxes and such. In reality, this does more harm than good as the contaminated cardboard could ruin the whole recycling batch. In fact, contamination in the recycling business is a big problem. Some estimates put the costs of irresponsible contamination in the neighborhood of **\$700 million per year** industry-wide.

So, What Do I Do? The easiest remedy for this problem is to cut or tear out the soiled portions

of your pizza boxes and trash them. For example, you can tear the top of the box off, recycle that and throw away the bottom part containing the grease. If the entire box is grease-free, the whole box can be recycled with a guilt-free conscience.

REPETE'S WISDOM OF THE WEEK -
Let's Talk Trash. Which of these throwaway products was introduced when?

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| a. Disposable razor blade | 1. 1854 |
| b. Detachable shirt collar | 2. 1857 |
| c. Safety match | 3. 1844 |
| d. Toilet paper | 4. 1891 |
| e. Bottle cap | 5. 1901 |

a) **Disposable razors were introduced in 1901.** King Camp Gillette also probably invented the marketing practice called "tying" by selling the razor's handle at a loss and profiting from years of blade sales.

b) **Detachable shirt collars were introduced in 1854.** Shirts were worn a few times between launderings. Some of their most visible dirt accumulated at the neck. 6 years after Walter Hunt patented the varnished paper collar, 600,000 disposable collars were made in Boston alone.

c) **Safety matches were introduced in 1844.** Unlike earlier matches, the safety match didn't easily ignite by accident; nor did it depend on wildly toxic white phosphorus for ignition.

d) **Toilet paper was introduced in 1857.** Joseph Gayetty's machine-made TP was a commercial failure. It wasn't until 1879 when the Scott brothers sold the first perforated rolls that the idea become a success.

e) **Bottle caps were introduced in 1891.** William Painter invented the first form of a bottle cap called it the Crown Cork. The Crown Cork was so successful that Painter changed the name of his company to Crown Cork & Seal

Company, from its original name the Bottle Seal Company.

Planning

Planning Commission Determination. At its August 17, 2010 regular meeting, the commission considered the following items:

1. Applicant is proposing a revision to Engineering Condition Number's 3, 4, and 17 of Minor Subdivision 03-005 (Parcel Map 16277) Conditions of Approval. The project is generally located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Cypress Street and Eucalyptus Drive. APN's 1192-251-43, 46 and 47. Representative: Regino T. Gomez.

The Planning Commission:

1. Adopted Resolution 10-010 approving Revision Application (REV-010-001) subject to the recommended Conditions of Approval and Findings of Fact.

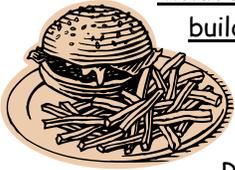
2. CUP 010-002, An application submitted by Highland TREH X, LLC proposing the following for the Highland Crossroads Project, (4) four alternative site plans, a request for (2) two ABC licenses for alcohol sales for a convenience store/service station and a restaurant, amendments to the Highland Crossroads approves sign program. Project is located at the south side of Greenspot Road. APN's 1201-341-22, 23 and 24. Representative: Ed Horovitz, Co-Manager Highland TREH X, LLC.

The Planning Commission:

1. Adopted Resolution 01-011 approving Conditional Use Permit 010-002 and,
2. Approved Four Alternative Site Plans (TREH-02, TREH-03, TREH-04 and TREH-05)
3. Approved the request for (2) two ABC Licenses for alcohol sales for a convenience store/service station and a restaurant and,
4. Approved amendments to the Sign Program

for the Highland Crossroads commercial project, all subject to the conditions of approval and the finding of fact.

3. Design Review 010-004 for a fast food drive thru restaurant (IN-N-OUT Burger) include the site plan, preliminary grading plan, building elevations, preliminary landscape concept plan, photometric plan, colors and materials and sign plans. Project is located at the south side of Greenspot Road. APN: 1201-341-22, 23 and 24. Representative: Ed Horovitz, Co-Manager Highland TREH X, LLC.



The Planning Commission:

1. Approved Design Review 010-004 for the fast food drive thru restaurant (IN-N-OUT Burger), all subject to Conditions of approval and,
2. Adopt the findings of fact

The application may now proceed forward in the process.

4. Request to add (2) two additional sign panels to an existing freeway oriented sign associated with the "Highland Crossings Shopping Center". Project is located at the southeast corner of Greenspot Road. Representative: Edward Horovitz, (JLM, TREH VIII HWY 30, LLC)

1. Adopted Resolution 10-012 amending Conditional Use Permit 007-003 and,
2. Approving Accessory sign permit 010-005, all subject to the recommended conditions of approval and the findings of fact.

4. CUP (008-012) for the entitlement of a three phases project. Project is located on an approximate 2.11 acre site consisting of four adjoining properties located at the northwest corner of Highland and Victoria Avenues. APN 0285-742-07, 08, 09 and 10. Representative: Balbir Jhawar. Applicant: Michael Murphy, Architect.

The Planning Commission:

1. Continued this item till September 21, 2010.

Volunteer Services

Volunteers Needed! The next HIT Cleanup project is on Saturday, August 21, 2010 from 7 am to 11 am. As always, everyone and anyone is welcomed to come out and help with cleanup projects.

The Highland Improvement Team will also be gaining the help of Lowe's Heroes from our local Lowe's store and many other interested community members. The HIT Team is very excited about receiving the extra help and potentially recruiting new members.

This is a residential structural cleanup, which will require some heavy lifting. Anyone interested in volunteering is invited to come out but because of the nature of the cleanup, we are in need of adult volunteers. Those interested should meet at City Hall, 27215 Baseline, between 6:45 am and 7 am to sign in. As always, all tools and equipment necessary for the cleanup are provided as well as water and sunscreen.



New volunteers and potential new members are always welcome. If you are interested in participating or require more information, please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

Library News

Eco-Matinee explores Coral Seas. Join the Highland Environmental Learning Center as we explore the Coral Seas of the world. Eco-Matinee presents "The Blue Planet - Coral Seas" on Monday, August 30, 2010 at 1:00 pm in the

Community Room. This episode of the award winning series "The Blue Planet", from the creators of the acclaimed "Planet Earth" series features the vibrant and colorful inhabitants of coral environments around the world. A discussion about the inhabitants and dangers facing coral seas will follow the movie.

For more information, please contact Lauren Bergh at the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at (909) 425-4706 or HGLENV@lib.sbcounty.gov.

Froggy Fun for Family Science! Join the Highland Environmental Learning Center as Family Science Exploration investigates what makes a frog a frog! Do you know how frogs hop, what they eat, and where they live? On Saturday, August 21, 2010 the Science Lab will be hopping as adults and children examine the life cycle of frogs, work together to complete a difficult puzzle, and even meet some members of the ELC Animal family. This program is free and open to all patrons; children must be accompanied by an adult. Program begins promptly at 10:30 am.



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Public Works

What's New in Public Works? The following activities were completed by Public Works Crew between 8/2/10 - 8/16/10: Training on how to use GPS to locate storm drains; checked video surveillance cameras at City parks; filled hole with large rocks underneath chain link fence at LMD #3 on Cherokee Rose; PARSAC training; removed fallen branch blocking road at 28111 Eucalyptus; cleaned storm drains throughout the City; picked-up trash and performed routine maintenance at City parks; checked horse trails

for fence repairs; sawcut asphalt in parking lot in front of YMCA to repair sewer line; checked irrigation at orange grove at Aurantia Park , trimmed dead wood from trees and cut down dead tree stump; performed routine irrigation checks at LMDs and City facilities; did asphalt repairs on Boulder s/o Greenspot at gun range, Base Line/Sterling intersection, and various other locations; replaced light ballast at ELC; worked on truck/trailer lights on City vehicle #104; repaired water leak on small drinking fountain at Aurantia dog park; checked restrooms at Sheriff Station for possible plugged sewerline; checked USA tickets; did count of speed limit signs on Base Line between Victoria - Church St.; custodial work at Corporate Yd.; picked-up tires/trash/etc. on Guthrie/Base Line, Del Rosa Ave., Bonnie n/o 7th, 6th w/o Sterling, Greenspot; responded to service requests; weeded at Seely Ct. field; replaced damaged pvc fence rail and removed graffiti at LMD #30 (Marianne Ln./Vista Rio; replaced broken rail bracket on Greenspot; repaired drinking fountain at Canyon Oaks Park; replaced sign at island on Base Line w/o Sterling, speed limit sign on Osburn/Amanda, button markers and bike lane sign on Greenspot e/o Aurantia Park, sign at Union/Golondrina, speed limit sign on 6th/Tippecanoe, and re-posted island sign at Boulder/Atlantic; turned-off sprinkler valves/barricaded so area could be treated for fire ants at Community Park; did railing repair on Greenspot bridge; hung large flag, City map, POW plaque, etc. at City Hall (Council Chambers); took used metal for recycling; pulled weeds, picked-up trash, did maintenance at Fire Station #3.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, August 21, 2010

7:00 to 11:00 a.m. - Highland Improvement Team Cleanup, Meet at City Hall, 27215 Base Line

Monday, August 23, 2010

4:30pm - Orange County Property Subcommittee

Meeting, Upright Conference Room
5:00 to 6:00 p.m. - Blood Drive Recruitment
Meeting, Jerry Lewis Community Center
7793 Central Avenue

Assembled by: Elena Rodrigues

Tuesday, August 24, 2010
City Council Meeting - Canceled

Thursday, August 26, 2010
5pm - Special City Council Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Wednesday, September 1, 2010
4pm - Public Nuisance Hearing Board Special
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Monday, September 6, 2010
Labor Day Holiday - City Offices are closed

Tuesday, September 7, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Thursday, September 9, 2010
5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 14, 2010
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers

Saturday, September 18, 2010
8:00 am to 12 noon - Highland Improvement
Team Clean Up, Meet at City Hall - 27215
Baseline

Tuesday, September 21, 2010
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,
Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 28, 2010
1:30 pm to 6:30 pm - Community Blood Drive
Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central
Avenue
6pm - City Council Regular Meeting, Donahue
Council Chambers



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