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Chairman Steven Kolenberg
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City of Stamford Government Center
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Resolution and Public Hearing Parking Meter Bag Program

Dear Mr. Kolenberg,

I have just been informed of a proposed increase in the cost of parking meter bags. We are a frequent user of meter bags here in the downtown area to accommodate trucks and buses associated with touring artists and productions. In addition we are a 501c3 and are extremely cost conscience!

Any increase above the current \$10 per day fee would adversely impact the Palace Theatre. We understand that with progress comes change but gone are the days that surface lots are available to us. We are completely dependent on curbside parking.

Over the last 3 years we have experienced a resurgence in the number of shows and the number of attendees at The Palace. We have created a model of great entertainment at reasonable prices. \$40 per bag is a significant change in expenses. In the month of March 2019 **alone** the new fee would represent an increase of \$2,460 fees for us.

We respectfully request that no increase in the cost of meter bags be approved.

I happy to meet and discuss this in further detail.

Respectfully,



Michael E. Moran, Jr.
President & CEO

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