Clear bags will prompt more thinking about garbage

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To the editor:

The need for an incinerator in Durham is an obvious red flag that we are too wasteful when it comes to trash.

It seems like it takes something like an incinerator near our homes to remember that we all still have to deal with our garbage long after it leaves the curb. Hopefully, this waste-diversion proposal is the first step to fixing our wastefulness. I think that the proposed waste-diversion target is definitely a step in the right direction. I know that my household will have little to no problem complying with the proposed three-bag limit, as that is the amount of garbage we usually produce every other week, along with just about everyone on my street.

If the Region implements a clear garbage bag policy, people will be forced to see what they are throwing out. I think this will cause people to be more conscious and considerate of what they throw out if they have to look at their bag's contents long before garbage pick-up.

Maybe that will cause people to take a second look at their trash, and consider what they can do in order to be less wasteful.

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