

Starbucks: How I Voted

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I waited until almost the last minute hoping to get proxy advice from my usual sources, ProxyDemocracy.org and MoxyVote.com. However, little has been forthcoming... nothing from [Proxy Democracy](http://ProxyDemocracy.org) as I write this.

Based on [Moxy Vote](http://MoxyVote.com) information and recommendations from [As You Sow](#), I went ahead and voted against two directors: Howard Schultz and Javier G. Teruel. I voted along with the [As You Sow](#) recommendation at Moxy Vote in favor of the shareowner proposal to Adopt Comprehensive Recycling Strategy for Beverage Containers. Starbucks is doing more than many companies in this area but I want to stress the importance of going even further, both for the environment and to project the right image for companies in which I want to continue to be a long-term shareowner.

I was able to find how [Florida SBA voted](#), so went with them and voted against amending the omnibus stock plan. I understand their advance votes will soon be recorded at MoxyVote, which may finally make that platform a one-stop-shop, since it will give them the depth and breadth of the 4th largest public pension fund.

All of my other votes were with management.