

Legislation Text

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Solid Waste Ordinance Amendment

Action:

Approve the Environment Committee's recommendation to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 10 - Health and Sanitation of the City Code, with an effective date of January 1, 2018.

Committee Chair:

Patsy Kinsey, Environment Committee

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- During the FY 2017 budget process, City Council referred the review of the Health and Sanitation (Chapter 10) ordinance to the Environment Committee.
- On August 14, 2017, the Environment Committee approved a revised Solid Waste (SW) ordinance and recommended full Council adoption.
- The goals of the revised SW Ordinance are:
 - Simplify the structure to create stand-alone ordinances each for Solid Waste Services and Code Enforcement,
 - Modernize the language and update terms and definitions,
 - Provide greater flexibility in service provisions,
 - Update the fines schedule for enforcement, and
 - Provide authority for exploring options for service delivery.
- The proposed draft for a revised SW Ordinance includes the following major changes:
 - Categorizes service types into primary and secondary collection services,
 - Defines types of waste containers,
 - Assigns new multifamily developments with 12 or more units to dumpster/compactor service,
 - Provides discretionary powers and additional authority to the Solid Waste Services department head,
 - Assesses all general civil penalties violations at \$150,
 - Assesses penalties for signs violations at \$100, and
 - Defines chronic and repeat offenders with escalating violation penalties of \$250 and \$500.

Attachment(s)

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