

ORDINANCE 20 - 2013

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF READING AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 496 SOLID WASTE PART 1 DUMPSTER PLACEMENT BY SETTING THE SET OUT TIME AT 5:00 PM

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Reading Chapter 496 – Solid Waste, Part 1 Dumpster Placement is hereby amended as follows:

§ 496-103. Conditions of use.

A. Placement and maintenance of trash receptacles.

(1) Placement. Trash receptacles shall be located in the rear of properties and may not be visible from the public right-of-way area of a property. Trash receptacles shall not be stored within the public right-of-way on commercial, industrial property, or residential property unless it has been determined by the Codes Enforcement Division and Department of Public Works that no other location is available for trash storage and a permit for such storage has been obtained from the City.

(a) Outside view of or public right-of-way. Trash receptacles are permitted to be placed in areas that are not in or visible from the public right-of-way without obtaining a permit from the Codes Enforcement Division.

(b) Generally visible from or in public right-of-way. Trash receptacles may be permanently placed within the public right-of-way when it has been determined by the Code Enforcement Division and Department of Public Works that no other accessible location is available for trash collection and storage and the owner has received the necessary permit. The permit shall be placed on the trash receptacle. The Codes Enforcement Division, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works, shall have the authority to determine feasibility.

(c) Historical districts. No permanent trash receptacles shall be allowed on any public right-of-way or be allowed to be visible from any public right-of-way in any area designated as a historic district in the Code of the City. Where it is preclusive to place a trash receptacle out of view of the public

right-of-way as a result of the design of the structure, the location of placement of the receptacle shall be determined and a permit issued accordingly upon consultation with the Codes Division and Historic Preservation Officer. Issuance of a permit for placement of a container in a historic district with the view of the public right-of-way is subject to Chapter 295, Historic Districts, where appropriate.

(d) In areas under the jurisdiction of the Downtown Improvement District. No permanent trash receptacles shall be installed in any public right-of-way or be visible from any public right-of-way in any area under the jurisdiction of the Downtown Improvement District without review and approval by the Department of Public Works, Historic Preservation Specialist and the Downtown Improvement District Authority pursuant to Chapter 14, Part 5, Reading Downtown Improvement District Authority.

(2) Identification. The owner of the trash receptacles shall place and maintain, on the outside of each container in legible letters not less than one inch in height, the owner's name, address receptacle is servicing (if private) the permit issued by the Codes Enforcement Division for such container, where applicable.

(3) Maintenance. Each trash receptacle shall be covered at all times by a clean, leakproof, proper fitting and functioning lid. All trash receptacles shall not be loaded at any time in such a manner to constitute overloading thereby preventing suitable required covering.

(4) Clearance requirements. Permitted trash receptacles shall not obstruct or otherwise limit or prevent the full and unrestricted use of any public right-of-way. Minimum sidewalk clearances of five feet must be retained at all times.

(5) Set-out requirements. Trash receptacles may be placed temporarily at curbside directly in front of the property being serviced no earlier than ~~8:30~~ 5:00 p.m. the day before and shall be removed from the public right-of-way by 8:00 p.m. the day of scheduled refuse collection.

SECTION 2: All relevant ordinances, regulations and policies of the City of Reading, Pennsylvania not amended per the attached shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this ordinance is held for any reason to be invalid such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

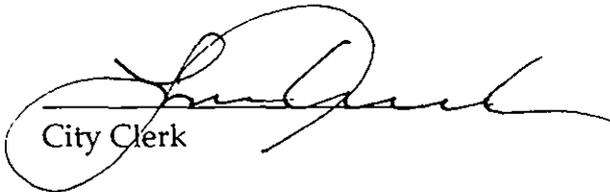
Section 4: This Ordinance shall become effective in ten (10) days in accordance with Charter Section 219 after passage.

Enacted Dec 9, 2013



Council President

Attest:



City Clerk

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 9 day of Dec A. D. 2013. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 10 day of Dec A. D. 2013.


CITY CLERK

Submitted to Mayor: 
Date: 12/10/13

Received by the Mayor's Office: 
Date: 12/10/13

Approved by Mayor: 
Date: 12/10/13

Vetoed by Mayor: _____
Date: _____