



ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8: DONATION CONTAINER STANDARDS

OR-21-004

April 20, 2021

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- ❑ The purpose of the proposed ordinance is to establish standards and regulations for new and existing donation containers within the City limits.
- ❑ The desired effect of the ordinance is to prevent the unsightly accumulation of debris surrounding donation container boxes.
- ❑ If approved, the proposed ordinance will require the owner or operator of a donation container box to obtain a permit prior to location of a donation container within city limits.

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- ❑ To obtain a permit for a donation container box, the owner or operator must be a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization located within the City of Killeen.
- ❑ The proposed ordinance also places limitations on the placement, construction, and maintenance of donation container boxes.

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- ❑ The proposed ordinance would limit the construction of donation containers to metal, fiberglass, or wood with a maximum size of 150 cubic feet, and no more than two (2) donation containers would be permitted on a single property.
- ❑ Owners of all existing donation containers would have thirty (30) days within which to obtain a permit. Existing donation containers of any size may be permitted, provided they are maintained in accordance with the proposed ordinance.

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- ❑ Per the Council's motion of direction on April 20th, staff has made the following changes to the ordinance:
 - ❑ The language about the City billing property owners for the cost of removing donation containers has been removed.
 - ❑ The language about the City destroying impounded container boxes has been removed.

Alternatives

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- ❑ The City Council has three (3) alternatives:
 - ▣ Do not adopt the ordinance;
 - ▣ Adopt the ordinance with amendments; or
 - ▣ Adopt the ordinance as presented.

Commission Recommendation

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- At their meeting on March 15, 2021, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance by a vote of 4 to 2, with Commissioners Gukeisen and Sabree in opposition.

Staff Recommendation

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- Staff recommends approval of the ordinance as presented.