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Date: May 6, 2015

To: Randall M. Skigen, President
Board of Representatives

From: David R. Martin, Mayor 

Re: Proposed Ordinance – Placement and Removal of Refuse and
Recyclable Containers from Street and/or Curb

Attached please find a draft ordinance, prepared by Michael Toma, Esq. of the City's Law Department, regarding the above-captioned.

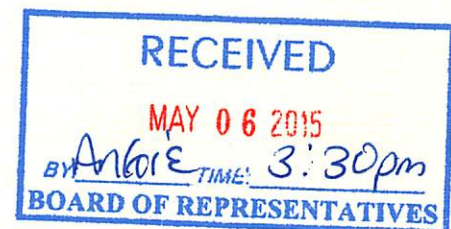
My Office received this request to amend the Section 137 of the Code from the Office of Operations in response to increasing numbers of complaints about trash/recycling bins remaining in the street and/or at the curb for extended periods of time.

Please place this item on your next agenda. Should you have further questions or require additional information, please contact Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations or Dan Colleluori, Supervisor of Solid Waste & Recycling.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Attachment



Proposed Amendments to Sections 137-2(A) and 137-13 of the City of Stamford Code of Ordinances

Sec. 137-2. Responsibility for collection.

- A. The City of Stamford shall collect or cause to be collected, at regular intervals established by the Director of Operations municipal solid waste from all residential dwellings within the City of Stamford presently or hereafter served by sanitary sewers, provided that:
- (1) The material is placed in a plastic bag and stored in a container approved by the Director of Operations.
 - (2) Broken glass, needles and other sharp objects must be enclosed in puncture-proof containers or packaging.
 - (3) Said approved container is placed, **no earlier than the day before the collection day,** in a location approved by the Director of Operations and such approved container is not located below ground level nor more than 10 inches off the ground. **The foregoing requirement shall also apply to containers into which recyclable materials are placed.**
 - (4) **Said approved container, once empty, is removed from the street or curb before the end of the collection day. The foregoing requirement shall also apply to containers into which recyclable materials are placed.**
 - (5) The shape, size and location of containers may change at the discretion of the Director of Operations, as new methods and equipment used for the collection of municipal solid waste become available to and are adopted by the Office of Operations.

Sec. 137-13. Violations and Penalties.

- A. Any person who violates any provision of this Article shall pay a fine of ninety dollars (\$90.00) for each separate offense. Each separate truckload of material deposited or otherwise dumped at the city dump site shall be deemed a separate offense, and such person shall be charged with the actual expense of removal and disposition of such substance outside the city, in addition to any other fines, fees or penalties required herein.
- B. Any partner, joint venture, employer, principal, agent or employee of a person that has violated any provision of this Article, and any shareholder who owns more than 10% of any stock in a corporation that has violated any provision of this Article, shall be presumed to be a person who has violated a provision of this Article.
- C. **In addition to other available methods of enforcement, this Article may be enforced through the civil citation process.**