

AN ORDINANCE No. 87-70-95

ADOPTED MAY 28 1987

To amend and reordain Section 25-8 of the Code of the City of Richmond, 1985, concerning collection of refuse by the City, to include within the businesses subject to restriction to 360 pounds limit per collection, multi-family dwellings other than multi-family dwellings owned and operated by redevelopment and housing authorities organized pursuant to Chapter 1 of Title 36 of the Code of Virginia.

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Patron - City Manager

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Approved as to form and legality  
by City Attorney

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THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That Section 25-8 of the Code of the City of Richmond, 1985, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

Sec. 25-8. Collection by the city.

The city shall provide for the collection of trash, garbage, refuse, litter and other similar substances, both commercial and non-commercial, subject to the following:

(1) Such collection shall be limited to containers approved by the director of public works or to bulk items, the collection of which has been prearranged with the director of public works.

(2) Any refuse container provided by the city that becomes lost or stolen shall be replaced by the city provided a report is filed with the director of public

works. Containers that are damaged through normal usage shall be repaired or replaced by the city based upon the availability of funds. Containers that are damaged through no fault of the city will be replaced by the city and shall be paid for by the owner of the residence to which the container is assigned unless such damage is a result of lightning or other severe weather conditions.

(3) Refuse receptacles must be placed out for collection by 7 a.m. of the scheduled collection day but not earlier than 4:00 p.m. of the day preceding. The receptacles must be removed from city property by 7 p.m. following collection. Receptacles shall be placed at a location designated by the director of public works.

(4) Refuse receptacles may be of metal or plastic construction with tight fitting lids and have a capacity of not less than twenty (20) gallons nor more than thirty-two (32) gallons and weigh no more than fifty pounds or super cans furnished by the city weighing no more than one hundred eighty (180) pounds when filled and placed for collection. Two-ply kraft paper bags or two (2) mil or equivalent polyethylene plastic bags closed by a tight sealing method and weighing not more than fifty (50) pounds when filled may also be used.

(5) When refuse from businesses, including multi-family properties, exclusive of properties owned and

operated by a redevelopment and housing authority organized pursuant to Chapter 1 of Title 36 of the Code of Virginia, exceeds three hundred sixty (360) gallons per collection the operator of such business is required to remove and dispose of such excess at his expense. Except for the months of March and April when loose brush is collected, tree and shrubbery trimmings too large for a container shall be securely tied in bundles not heavier than fifty (50) pounds nor more than four (4) feet in length and thirty (30) inches in diameter and placed at the curb or alley for collection.

(6) No hazardous wastes, building or demolition materials shall be collected by the city.

(7) In the event that there be no person between the ages of fifteen (15) and seventy (70) years of age at any residence or if there be no person between such ages physically or mentally capable of placing refuse receptacles at the curb or alley, then the city shall provide collection service from a point approved by the director of public works. The director may require, at least once every two (2) years, evidence of such physical or mental disability. A certificate by a physician licensed to practice in the state shall be considered as sufficient proof of disability.

(8) Upon request, the director of public works shall schedule the collection of bulk items such as furniture, appliances or similar items.

(9) Pursuant to the provisions of section 12.04 of the Charter, the director of public works shall make rules and regulations for the carrying out of the provisions of this section.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect July 1, 1987.