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**17-101. Refuse defined.** Refuse shall mean and include garbage, rubbish, leaves, brush, grass clippings, yard waste, and refuse as those terms are generally defined except that dead animals and fowls, body wastes, hot ashes, rocks, building materials, concrete, bricks, and similar materials are expressly excluded therefrom and shall not be stored therewith. (1991 Code, § 17-101, modified)

**17-102. Premises to be kept clean.** All persons within the city are required to keep their premises in a clean and sanitary condition, free from accumulations of refuse except when stored as provided in this chapter. (1991 Code, § 17-102)

**17-103. Residential cart service defined,** Residential property is defined as any housing unit providing single family occupancy in individual units, up to and including eight (8) units, with each unit requiring separate service for refuse collection. All other property shall be defined as

non-residential or commercial for the purpose of this title. Each residential unit will be provided with one appropriate size container for refuse collection.

**17-104. Non-residential service defined.** (1) Cart service. Non-residential cart service is available for any individual non-residential unit; such as a small business, professional office, church, or non-profit organization; that only produces a small quantity of refuse on a weekly basis that is equivalent to and not greater than a residential unit. All other businesses and uses are considered as commercial units for the purpose of this title.

(2) Bulk service. In the B-1 Central Business District, the city may, at its discretion, offer bulk (dumpster) service in centralized locations in lieu of individual cart service.

**17-105. Commercial service defined.** All businesses and uses not classified in §§ 17-103 and 17-104, including strip malls, shopping centers, office complexes, government offices, commercial Planned Unit Developments (PUDs), educational uses and industrial uses, shall be considered as commercial units for the purpose of this title.

**17-106. Collection service required.** All residential and non-residential units within the corporate limits as defined in this title shall receive refuse collection and disposal service, under the supervision of the city manager or his/her designated representative. Collections shall be made regularly in accordance with an announced schedule.

**17-107. Storage.** (1) Residential and non-residential cart service. Each residential and non-residential premise, as defined in this title, shall be provided with one (1) ninety-six (96) gallon cart for refuse collection and storage, at no cost to the user. Residential and non-residential units requiring an additional cart(s) may obtain said carts directly from the city's collection contractor. Charges for additional carts will be paid directly to the contractor, in accordance with the terms of the city's collection contract in force at such time. All refuse materials shall be placed inside the cart provided. No refuse shall be placed in a refuse container until such refuse has been drained of all free liquids.

(2) Commercial service. All commercial service units, as defined in § 17-105 of this title, shall be responsible for their own refuse collection and disposal. The city shall not provide this service to commercial units.

**17-108. Location of containers.** Carts shall be placed at the designated area for collection, no later than 6:00 A.M. on the scheduled day of collection. Where streets are used by the collection vehicles, containers shall be placed adjacent to the curb, or adjacent to the edge of pavement or street line if there is no curb. As soon as practicable after such containers have been emptied, they

shall be removed by the owner or tenant to within, or to the side or rear of the premises and away from the street line, until the next scheduled time for collection.

**17-109. Disturbing containers.** No unauthorized person shall uncover, rifle, pilfer, dig into, turn over, or in any other manner disturb or use any refuse container belonging to another. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the use of public refuse containers for their intended purpose.

**17-110. Collection vehicles.** The collection of refuse shall be by means of vehicles with beds constructed of impervious materials which are easily cleanable and so constructed that there will be no leakage of liquids draining from the refuse onto the streets and alleys. Furthermore, all refuse collection vehicles shall utilize closed beds, or such coverings as will effectively prevent the scattering of refuse over the streets or alleys.

**17-111. Disposal.** The disposal of refuse in any quantity by any person in any place, public or private, other than at the site or sites designated for refuse disposal by the city council and/or city manager is expressly prohibited.

**17-112. Tires.** All individuals, property owners and occupants shall be responsible for the storage and/or disposal of used tires in compliance with applicable federal and state laws related to disposal.

**17-113. Residential brush and leaf collection.** The city shall provide, at no cost to the resident or occupant, residential brush and leaf collection service. Brush collection will be provided in accordance with an established policy and announced schedule. Leaf collection will be provided on a seasonal basis in accordance with an established policy and announced schedule.

**17-114. Contractor generated refuse and trash.** Any resident, tenant property owner or agent of same who hires a licensed commercial contractor to perform work on a property shall require the licensed commercial contractor to remove all refuse and trash, including grass clippings, yard waste and brush, from the property on completion of the work. Small quantities of grass clippings, yard waste and brush, as defined in § 17-113, shall be collected in accordance with the established policy for that service.

**17-115. Only same-site generated refuse.** All refuse, including yard waste, brush leaves and other debris placed at curbside for collection must be generated from the same property where it is placed for collection by the city. No person shall transport refuse, including yard waste, brush, leaves or other debris of any kind from one location to another for the purpose of having it picked up by the city. It shall be a violation of this title to transport refuse,

including yard waste, brush, leaves or other debris to a site other than the property on which it was produced for pickup or disposal by the city.