



## CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

DATE: September 30, 2009

TO: John Szerlag, City Manager

FROM: Mark Miller, Acting Assistant City Manager/ Economic Development Services  
Mark Stimac, Director of Building and Zoning

SUBJECT: Amendments to Chapter 48 of the Troy City Code  
Litter Ordinance

### Background:

- With the adoption of the new Property Maintenance Code certain provisions of the existing Litter Ordinance will no longer be necessary.
- Section 6.107 will be covered by Section 302.1 of the Property Maintenance Code.
- Other current text of the Litter Ordinance will still be necessary to address issues of litter placed upon public property or streets.
- We have attached the current text of the Litter Ordinance showing the language that is proposed to be deleted.
- This action should only be taken after the adoption of the new Property Maintenance Code.

### Financial Considerations:

- There are no financial considerations.

### Legal Considerations:

- City Council has the authority to amend the Litter Ordinance under the City Charter and the Home Rule Cities Act.

### Policy Considerations:

- Troy enhances the health and safety of the community (Outcome I).

### Options:

- Once the new Property Maintenance Code is adopted the existing text of portions of the Litter Ordinance can be deleted.
- Council can retain the existing text of the Litter Ordinance.

- Council can adopt revised text of the Litter Ordinance.

Approved as to Form and Legality:

---

Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney

mss/ Chapter 48 revision memo 10-5-09

The text of Chapter 48, Litter, Shall be amended as follows:

~~6.107-Owner to Maintain Premises Free of Litter-Enforcement.~~

~~The Public Works Director is hereby charged with the enforcement of this Chapter. The owner or person in control of any private premises shall at all times maintain the premises free of litter; Provided, however, that this section shall not prohibit the storage of litter in authorized private receptacles for collection.~~

~~6.108-Enforcement – Notice to Abate.~~

~~The City Superintendent of Public Works is hereby charged with the enforcement of this Chapter. No person being the owner or person in charge of or occupant of any private premises shall accumulate or permit the accumulation of any litter on the private premises owned, controlled or occupied by him in a manner prohibited by the provisions of this Chapter. When any litter shall be accumulated or permitted to accumulate on any private premises in a manner prohibited by this Chapter, the enforcing officer shall notify the owner, person in control or occupant of such private premises to remove the litter and clear said private premises within a time limited in the notice, such time not to be less than two (2) days nor more than ten (10) days from the time said notice is served. Such notice shall be served as provided in section 1.11 of this Code.~~

~~If the owner, person in charge or occupant of any premises notified to abate a nuisance consisting of the accumulation of litter on any private premises shall fail to abate the same within the time limited in said notice therefor, the enforcing officer is hereby authorized to enter upon such private premises and abate said nuisance by removing said litter and clearing said private premises. The cost of abating such nuisance plus an additional fifteen (15%) percent for overhead and other expenses shall constitute a lien against the private premises and shall be charged to the occupant thereof or to the owner of unoccupied premises, as the case may be. If not paid within sixty (60) days after the bill for such charges is rendered, such charges may be collected as a single lot assessment against said premises in the manner provided by the City Charter or in any other manner authorized for the collection of debts owed the City.~~

CITY OF TROY  
AN ORDINANCE TO  
AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF  
THE CODE OF THE CITY  
OF TROY

The City of Troy ordains:

Section 1. Short Title

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as an amendment to Chapter 48, Litter, of the Code of the City of Troy.

Section 2. Amendment

Chapter 48, Litter, shall be amended as follows:

Section 6.107 shall be amended to read as follows:

6.107 Enforcement

The Public Works Director is hereby charged with the enforcement of this Chapter.

Section 6.108 Enforcement – Notice to Abate, shall be deleted in its entirety.

Section 3. Savings

All proceedings pending, and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred, at the time this Ordinance takes effect, are hereby saved. Such proceedings may be consummated under and according to the ordinance in force at the time such proceedings were commenced. This ordinance shall not be construed to alter, affect, or abate any pending prosecution, or prevent prosecution hereafter instituted under any ordinance specifically or impliedly repealed or amended by this ordinance adopting this penal regulation, for offenses committed prior to the effective date of this ordinance; and new prosecutions may be instituted and all prosecutions pending at the effective date of this ordinance may be continued, for offenses committed prior to the effective date of this ordinance, under and in accordance with the provisions of any ordinance in force at the time of the commission of such offense.

Section 4. Severability Clause

Should any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance be held invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provision of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2010.

This Ordinance is enacted by the Council of the City of Troy, Oakland County, Michigan, at a Regular Meeting of the City Council held at City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver, Troy, MI, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2009.

---

Louise E. Schilling, Mayor

---

Tonni L. Bartholomew, City Clerk