



Legislation Text

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This legislation repeals and replaces the current Columbus City Code, Title 13 to update, reorganize and provide clarification for the regulation of the waste stream and the collection of that waste stream.

The City's goal with this legislation is to provide a clean and safe environment for all residents and visitors by providing a mechanism for enforcement for solid waste and illegal dumping activities. After multiple meetings with stakeholders such as residents and community members and a scan of policies and actions in other cities, this Code addresses much needed tools to curb and ultimately end illegal dumping activities.

Columbus City Code, Title 13 has not been updated for more than 20 years and did not allow for civil enforcement of activities that are negatively affecting our neighborhoods. This new Code creates civil violations that are enforceable by the Solid Waste Investigators, within the Division of Refuse Collection, and any law enforcement personnel and will provide the mechanisms needed to address the issues surrounding solid waste. This code also provides clarification on a variety of Solid Waste concerns identified and provides clear direction around those issues.

To repeal existing Title 13 of the Columbus City Code and enact a new Title 13 in order to update, reorganize and provide clarification for the regulation of the waste stream and the collection of that waste stream.

WHEREAS, this legislation repeals and replaces the current Columbus City Code Title 13 to update, reorganize and provide clarification for the regulation of the waste stream and the collection of that waste stream; and

WHEREAS, the City's goal with this legislation is to provide a clean and safe environment for all residents and visitors by providing a mechanism for enforcement for solid waste and illegal dumping activities; and

WHEREAS, Columbus City Code Title 13 has not been updated for more than 20 years and did not allow for civil enforcement of activities that are negatively affecting our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, this new Code creates civil violations that are enforceable by the Solid Waste Investigators, within the Division of Refuse Collection, and any law enforcement personnel and will provide the mechanisms needed to address the issues surrounding solid waste; and

WHEREAS, this code also provides clarification on a variety of Solid Waste concerns identified and provides clear direction around those issues; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service to repeal and replace City Code Title 13 to provide for more clarity and enforcement of the solid waste code; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That new sections of Title 13 are hereby enacted, reading as follows per the attached word document:

Ordinance #1717-2020 Chapter 13 changes.

SECTION 2. That existing Title 13 of the Columbus City Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the new sections in the attachment.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.