

CITY COUNCIL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

**MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING
201 WEST GRAY**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014

5:00 P.M.

- 1. DISCUSSION REGARDING A POSSIBLE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT ON THE LENGTH OF TIME BULK REFUSE CAN BE PLACED CURBSIDE DURING SPRING AND FALL CLEANUP.**
- 2. MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC COMMENTS.**



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To: City Council Oversight Committee
From: Ken Komiske, Director of Utilities *KK*
Date: October 8, 2014
Subject: Fall and Spring Clean Up Ordinance Amendment

BACKGROUND:

The City Council Oversight Committee met on June 11, 2014 to discuss the timeframe for placement of items at the curb prior to the spring and fall cleanup collection events. Collected items can include lawn furniture, washers/dryers, bookcases, chairs/couches, and other bulky items. At the June 11, 2014 meeting, Committee Chairman Miller said that the City had received a number of complaints about citizens placing items at the curb several weeks prior to the spring or fall cleanup pickup dates. As a result of those complaints, the Committee asked that Staff draft an ordinance amendment that would restrict the placement of these bulky items at the curb no more than one week prior to the scheduled pick-up date.

DISCUSSION:

The attached ordinance amendment amends Chapter 21, Section 21-202 by adding a new section (c). Section 21-202 currently contains language regarding the disposal of bulk refuse. Staff proposes the following language: "Bulk refuse items, whether collected during a seasonal city-wide collection event or when scheduled for collection by an individual property owner, shall not be placed at the curb more than one week prior to the scheduled collection date." A clean and annotated version of this amendment is attached. Staff felt it appropriate to locate the new language here because it allows the ordinance amendment to address bulky items left at the curb during spring or fall cleanup as well as when individual property owners schedule a bulk pick-up with the Sanitation Division.

Currently, Chapter 21, Section 21-501 is the Penalty section for Chapter 21. It states that any person found to be in violation of any provision of Chapter 21 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$750.00. Because this Penalty section is already existing and would apply to the proposed amendment, Staff did not draft a separate penalty section.

CONCLUSION:

Staff will be available at the October 16, 2014 City Council Oversight Committee to discuss the proposed ordinance amendment and to answer any questions that the Committee might have.

Reviewed By: Steve Lewis, City Manager *[Signature]*
Leah Messner, Assistant City Attorney *[Signature]*

Attachments: Ordinance O-1415-17 Clean and Annotated

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA AMENDING ARTICLE I, SECTION 21-202 OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN BY ADDING A PROVISION REGARDING THE LENGTH OF TIME BULK REFUSE CAN BE PLACED CURBSIDE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

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- (b) Municipal solid waste and yard waste will not be collected as bulk refuse.
- (c) Bulk refuse items, whether collected during a seasonal city-wide collection event or when scheduled for collection by an individual property owner, shall not be placed at the curb more than one week prior to the scheduled collection date.

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of _____, 2014.

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ATTEST:

Brenda Hall, City Clerk

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