

CITY OF SALEM

FIRST PASSAGE

In the year Two Thousand and thirteen

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section I. Chapter 24, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions is hereby amended by adding a new section as follows:

- A. **Litter.** A shopping cart left unattended and abandoned on public property for more than twenty-four hours shall, for the purpose of this section, be deemed litter.
- B. **Removal and Redemption.** The director of public services may cause any shopping cart left unattended and abandoned on public property to be removed to a designated location. Owners may redeem said shopping carts upon proof of ownership and payment of all city costs which shall not exceed twenty-five dollars for each shopping cart removed and stored by the city.
- C. **Disposal.** Any cart not redeemed within thirty calendar days may be sold at auction or disposed of if not saleable.
- D. **Notice.** When possible, the director of public services shall give notice to the owner of a shopping cart, if known, that the city has removed an unattended and abandoned cart to a designated location along with the procedure and time schedule for reclamation of said cart prior to disposal.
- E. **Identification.** All businesses located within the City that offer shopping carts to their customers shall place a distinguishing mark on each shopping cart to identify the cart as belonging to the particular business.

Section II. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

In City Council February 14, 2013
Adopted for first passage

ATTEST:

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