

CITY OF PASSAIC
ORDINANCE NO. 2420-23

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 157, ARTICLE I, OF THE CITY OF PASSAIC CODE REGARDING COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND RUBBISH

WHEREAS, the City of Passaic is committed to maintaining the cleanliness, health, and well-being of its residents, businesses, and visitors;

WHEREAS, the accumulation of garbage, refuse, and rubbish not only poses an aesthetic concern but also a public health risk if not properly managed and collected, and has been linked to an increase in the rodent population within the City;

WHEREAS, it is of paramount importance to ensure that waste is stored in proper containers that are insect-resistant and rodent-resistant to mitigate the rodent issue and protect the health and safety of the City's residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the city remains clean, safe, and attractive, it is imperative to clarify and enforce standards for waste collection and storage, as well as to address the growing rodent concern.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Passaic that the City Code of the City of Passaic, Chapter 157-1 titled "Collection required", and Chapter 157-3 titled "Proper containers to be provided", are hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

SECTION 1

Chapter 157. Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse

Article I. Collection of Garbage and Rubbish

§ 157-1. Collection required.

Every tenant, superintendent, owner, business owner, and any other individual or entity conducting business or occupying any part of a dwelling or building within the City, where garbage, refuse, or rubbish accumulate, is hereby required to collect these materials, and must adhere to the entirety of this ordinance and ensure proper collection of these materials.

§ 157-3. Proper Containers to be provided.

- A. Each occupant of a residential or commercial property in which garbage, rubbish or refuse accumulates and is to be removed by the City shall provide either a dumpster or watertight vessels or containers (each, a "Waste Receptacle") and place or cause to be placed therein all garbage, rubbish or refuse practically free from water. Such Waste Receptacles shall not exceed 55 gallons in size.
- B. Waste Receptables provided by retail food establishments (as defined in N.J.A.C. 8:24-1.5) shall comply with the requirements set forth in Section 157-3(A) above, and, in addition thereto, be insect-resistant and rodent-resistant, as such terms are used in N.J.A.C. 8:24-5.5(d).
- C. In the event that there is not adequate space for either a dumpster or watertight vessel, all garbage, rubbish or refuse that is to be removed by the City shall be placed in heavy-duty black plastic garbage bags of at least two mil thickness and which are capable of being so closed as to prevent inflow of water.

SECTION II

If any section or provision of this ordinance shall be invalid in any court the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this ordinance except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

SECTION III

All ordinances or parts of ordinances to inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect upon publication as provided by law.

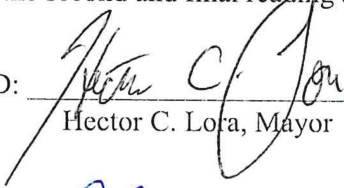
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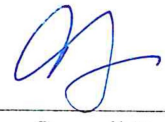
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MELO, T.	x			
LOVE, T.	x			
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SCHAER, G.	x			
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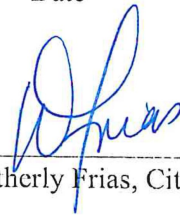
Adoption of first reading at a meeting of the Council of the City of Passaic, NJ on **October 12, 2023**

Adopted on the second and final reading after the hearing on **November 9, 2023**

APPROVED: 
Hector C. Lora, Mayor

11-20-2023
Date


Gary S. Schaer, Council President


Weatherly Frias, City Clerk