

CODE OF ORDINANCES

Chapter 26 Peddlers and Solicitors, Article I In General, Section 26-2 Donation Boxes

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ithaca, by Adding Article I In General, Section 26-2 Donation Boxes.

THE CITY OF ITHACA ORDAINS:

ARTICLE I IN GENERAL, SECTION 26-2 Donation Boxes.

Definitions:

Donation Box - Any enclosed receptacle or container, located outside of a building, designed and intended for the donation and temporary storage of clothing or other materials.

Regulations:

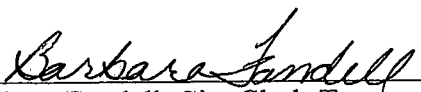
Donation Boxes:

- A. No person or other legal entity shall cause or permit the installation or placement of a donation box upon any property within the City, whether public or private, except in accordance with this section.
- B. Donation boxes are permitted within the City upon compliance with all of the following:
 - (1) All proceeds are dedicated to the use of an entity which is qualified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable institution, or is a governmental entity.
 - (2) The donation box is placed upon the premises of an entity which is located in the C2 (General Commercial) Zoning District or is qualified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable institution, or is a governmental entity.
 - (3) The donation box is no more than six (6) feet high, with a ground footprint of not more than twenty five (25) square feet.
 - (4) No more than two (2) donation boxes shall be located on any parcel.
 - (5) The donation box shall be located so as not to interfere with any sight triangles and on-site circulation. The donation box shall be located at least 15' from any building, 20' from the front property line, and 5' from the side and rear property lines. The donation box shall not be located so as to block the view of any business signage on any parcel.
 - (6) The donation box shall be placed upon a concrete or asphalt surface.
 - (7) The donation box shall be emptied with such frequency and regularity as to ensure that it does not overflow, and materials do not accumulate outside the donation box.
 - (8) The donation box shall not be used as a receptacle for any hazardous or potentially hazardous waste.
 - (9) The issuance of a permit pursuant to subsection C., below.

- C. The zoning administrator shall issue a permit, annually, for a compliant donation box upon receipt of an annual permit fee in an amount to be established from time to time by resolution of the City Council; and of an application containing all of the following:
- (1) Proof of the applicant's status as a charitable institution or as a governmental entity.
 - (2) A site plan indicating the placement of the donation box, in compliance with all the above siting requirements.
 - (3) The name, address, telephone number and e mail address of the applicant and of the owner of the donation box, if different than the applicant.
 - (4) The name, address, telephone number and e mail address of the person who will be available during regular business hours and will be responsible for compliance.
 - (5) A photograph of the donation box to be installed.
 - (6) The signed and dated consent of the property owner, consenting to the location of the box.

This Ordinance was introduced on November 16, 2014.

This Ordinance is hereby adopted and shall become effective January 5, 2015.


Barbara Fandell, City Clerk-Treasurer