



Chapter 66 – Ordinance 07-19  
Health and Sanitation  
Code of Ordinances of  
The City of New Carrollton  
December 19, 2007

AN ORDINANCE

NO. 07-19

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 66, HEALTH AND SANITATION, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REGULATING THE USE OF PORTABLE STORAGE CONTAINERS WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council is desirous of prohibiting nuisances and disturbing elements which may affect the health and welfare of any person within the City of New Carrollton, and

**WHEREAS**, the unregulated proliferation of the use of portable storage containers is considered just such a nuisance and disturbing element.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of New Carrollton, Maryland, that Chapter 66 of the City Code be amended as shown below:

CHAPTER 66 HEALTH AND SANITATION

**Art. 66-3. Prohibited Acts**

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X. It shall be unlawful for anyone to place a portable storage container on public property.

(1) Definition.

*Portable storage container, portable on-demand storage (pods).* Any box container constructed of wood, steel or other similar material intended for the use of storage or keeping household goods or other personal property or construction material that is intended to be filled, refilled, or emptied while located outdoors on a residential property which may be later removed from the property for storage offsite or on completion of remodeling or building. This definition shall also include any polystructure or polyshelter which means any structure with a frame of steel or other material which is covered by plastic, polyurethane, vinyl, canvas or other similar flexible sheeting material.

(2) Limitations on portable storage containers on residential and commercial property. In residential zones one (1) portable storage container shall be allowed on a lot, and for no longer than a total of thirty (30) days in any consecutive twelve-month period. The portable storage container must be placed a minimum of six (6) feet from the property line. Any portable storage container shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height, eight (8) feet in width and sixteen (16) feet in length. On a commercially zoned site, more than one (1) portable storage container may be permitted by the city for good cause shown and only in conjunction with development or redevelopment of such commercial property.

Before placing a portable storage device on any property, a permit shall be obtained from the City. Such permit shall be good for thirty (30) days. The fee for such permit shall be set from time to time by the City Council. The permit shall be displayed on the exterior of the portable storage container at all times.

(3). Maintenance.

All portable storage containers shall be maintained in a condition free from rust, peeling paint and other visible forms of deterioration.

(4). Extension.

The Code Enforcement Department may extend the permit for thirty (30) days for good cause. Good cause shall mean a reasonable or practical problem that the building or remodeling has not been completed within the original thirty-day period. Any subsequent request for extension shall be referred to the Mayor or his/her designee who may approve additional extensions for good cause but only if the delay is beyond the control of the applicant.

(5). Fees.

The initial fee for all permits and any extensions shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00). The City Council shall review and amend such fee from time-to-time as deemed necessary.


(6). Violations.

Any violations of the article shall be a municipal infraction and subject to a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). The initial fine for the first infraction shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) which shall double for each additional infraction up to the maximum above. Each day a violation exists shall be considered a separate infraction.

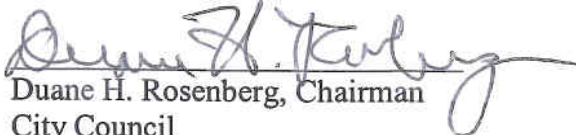
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ADOPTED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON, MARYLAND ON THE 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2008. EFFECTIVE MARCH 12, 2008.

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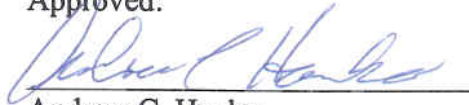
  
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City Clerk

City of New Carrollton

  
Duane H. Rosenberg, Chairman  
City Council

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Mayor

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