

Proposed Tire Storage and Disposal Ordinance



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Tire Disposal Issues



Abandoned stockpiles of used and scrap tires threaten public health and safety.

Uncovered and improperly disposed tires:

- provide breeding grounds for mosquitoes and rodents
- pose fire hazards
- •release hydrocarbons and other contaminates
- •place a financial burden on residents and the City
- •are unsightly



Tire Disposal Issues (cont'd)



- In 2013, the City of Corpus Christi collected and disposed of 52,000 tires at a cost of \$78,000.
- According to TCEQ every individual produces 1 used/scrap tire annually.
- Corpus Christi residents generate approximately 312,000 used/scrap tires each year.

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Proposed Ordinance



Under the proposed ordinance; new, used, scrap, and tire pieces must be:

- stored separately from one another
- •screened from public view
- •stored in roll off containers/racks that comply with current fire code provisions
- •stored in a manner that eliminates exposure to weather



Proposed Ordinance (cont'd)



Under the proposed ordinance:

- •Tire distributors must keep a tire ledger/manifest for inspection by Code Enforcement and Police.
- •It is assumed illegally dumped tires belong to the tire dealer as determined by tire ledger/manifest.

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Scope





Solid Waste has identified 120 businesses that will be impacted.

Identification of businesses is an ongoing effort.

1 year grace period from time of adoption by City Council.

Tire distributors/haulers will be required to register annually with Solid Waste Operations and acquire hauler/disposal permits.



Scope (continued)



Tire distributors must properly tag tires and upon request provide a tire ledger/manifest.

Violations would be considered Class C misdemeanors punishable by fines of:

1st offense: \$100 to \$2,000

2nd offense: \$200 to \$2,000

3rd offense: \$300 to \$2,000

All code enforcement officers and police officers can enforce inspections.



Community Outreach



Two town hall meetings will be held at the City Council Chambers.

The 1st town hall meeting will be held the <u>first week of May.</u>

- The draft ordinance and survey questions will be mailed to the tire facilities (now estimated at 120) identified by Solid Waste Operations two weeks before the meeting.
- Stakeholders will be encouraged to voice concerns.
- Staff will record comments and redraft the proposed ordinance as needed.



Community Outreach (cont'd)



The 2nd town hall meeting will be held the <u>first week of</u> June.

- The meeting notice and revised draft ordinance will be mailed to stakeholders two weeks before the meeting.
- The revised draft ordinance will reflect changes stemming from the 1st town hall meeting.
- Staff will address any additional concerns raised during the second town hall meeting.