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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH
MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING TABLE 32-1 IN
CHAPTER 21.32, AND TABLE 34-1 IN CHAPTER 21.34;
AND BY ADDING SECTIONS 21.15.3153 AND 21.51.294,
RELATED TO UNATTENDED DONATION BOXES;
DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF; AND DECLARING
THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT
IMMEDIATELY

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Table 32-1 of Chapter 21.32 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as shown on Exhibit "A."

Section 2. Table 34-1 of Chapter 21.34 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as shown on Exhibit "B."

Section 3. The Long Beach Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 21.15.3153 to read as follows:

21.15.3153 "Unattended Donation Box" means any unstaffed dropoff box, container, receptacle, or similar device that is used for soliciting and collecting donations of clothing or other salvageable personal property. This term does not include recycle bins for the collection of recyclable material (such as beverage containers) governed or regulated by the Zoning Code.

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Section 4. The Long Beach Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 21.51.294 to read as follows:

21.51.294 Unattended Donation Box (UDB).

An Unattended Donation Box (UDB) is permitted only as an accessory use to an existing nonresidential activity on the same site provided it meets the following standards:

## A. Permit Required.

- 1. An UDB permit is required for an unattended donation box (UDB). A permit is not required for UDBs that are enclosed within a principal building or are accessory to a principal activity on a property owned or leased by the box operator. However, all UDBs shall meet all other requirements of Chapter 21.51.294.
- 2. The UDB permit shall require the property owner's approval.
- The UDB permit applicant shall be the UDB operator and the permit may not be transferred, conveyed or otherwise assigned to another person or entity.
- 4. The UDB permit applicant shall have an active City Business License.

#### B. Location.

- 1. An UDB shall not be located on a vacant lot.
- 2. No UDB shall be located within one thousand feet (1,000') from any other UDB.
- 3. A development site located on one (1) or more lot shall be limited to one (1) UDB on the site.
- 4. No UDB shall be located within required areas of landscaping, parking spaces, drive aisles, walkways, handicapped accessibility routes, building ingress and egress, easements, trash

enclosures or waste disposal areas or the public right-of-way.

- 5. UDBs shall have a minimum setback of twenty (20) feet from the public right-of-way and five feet (5') from any property line, or meet the setback requirements of the underlying zone, whichever is greater.
- 6. The donation/collection area shall have a clear line of site from the principal building located on the property or the public right-of-way.
- 7. UDBs shall be located within ten feet (10') of a dusk to dawn photocell-controlled light source of at least one foot (1') candle. If security is determined to be an issue, a greater foot candle may be utilized, provided lights are directed and shielded to prevent light and glare from intruding onto adjacent sites.

#### C. Standards.

- UDBs shall be constructed of durable and waterproof materials.
  - 2. UDBs shall be placed on a paved surface.
  - 3. Maximum height is six feet (6').
- 4. Maximum floor area is twenty-five square feet (25 sq.ft)(25 x 6 = 150 cubic feet).
- 5. UDBs shall have a tamper-resistant locking mechanism for all collection openings.

# D. Signage.

- 1. UDBs shall have contact information, including the name, address, email and phone number of both the operator and parcel owner/owner agent, posted on the box in a conspicuous location.
- 2. UDBs shall identify the type of material that may be deposited and a pick-up schedule shall be posted on the box.
  - 3. If applicable, the UDB shall identify the charitable

cause that will benefit from the donations and the Federal Tax identification number of the nonprofit organization.

4. The property containing the UDB shall display a sign not to exceed ten square feet (10 sq.ft.) with text in at least two-inch (2") typeface stating that no material shall be left outside of the UDB. This sign shall be placed in a visually conspicuous location within a radius of twenty feet (20') from the UDB.

#### E. Maintenance.

- The site shall be maintained to be free of blight, including but not limited to donation/collection overflow, litter, debris and dumped material.
- 2. The UDB shall be maintained, free of damage, holes, rust, graffiti and be in good working order.
- 3. The UDB shall be serviced per a schedule posted on the UDB. This servicing shall include the removal of donated/collected material and abatement of any blight. Additional pick-ups may be required if overflow or blight conditions are found to exist.
- 4. Hours of servicing UDBs shall be between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on weekends.
- 5. The UDB operator shall maintain an active email address and a 24-hour telephone service with recording capability for the public to register complaints. This contact information shall be posted on the UDB.

# F. Penalty for violation.

If an UDB is found to be in violation of Chapter 21.51.294, and the operator does not remedy the violation upon notification from the City, the UDB can be deemed a public nuisance in accordance with Sections

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21.10.080 or 21.10.090 of this Code or an Administrative Citation and penalty may be assessed in accordance with Chapter 9.65 of this Code.

Section 5. Declaration of Urgency.

This ordinance is an emergency ordinance within the meaning of Long Beach City Charter Section 211 and it is urgently required for the long-term preservation of the public peace, health and welfare of the citizens of Long Beach in order to prevent the potential proliferation of Unattended Donation Boxes within the City without proper review, vetting, approval or permit. Furthermore, the proliferation of Unattended Donation Boxes without the appropriate permit may be at odds with recommended zoning regulations that are set forth in this ordinance.

This ordinance is an emergency ordinance duly adopted by Section 6. the City Council in accordance with Long Beach City Charter Section 211 by a vote of at least five (5) of its members and shall take effect immediately. The City Clerk shall certify to a separate roll call and vote on the question of the emergency of this ordinance and to its passage by the vote of five (5) members of the City Council of the City of Long Beach, and shall cause the same to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach.

This ordinance shall also be adopted by the City Council as a Section 7. regular ordinance, to the end that in the event of any defect or invalidity in connection with the adoption of this ordinance as an emergency ordinance, the same shall, nevertheless, be and become effective on the thirty-first day after it is approved by the Mayor.

Section 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council of the City of Long Beach and shall cause the same to be posted in three conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach.

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I hereby certify that on a separate roll call and vote which was taken by the City

Council of the City of Long Beach upon the question of the emergency of this

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Table 32-1
Uses In All Other Commercial Zoning Districts

Unattended Donation Box	

# Table 34-1 Uses in the Institutional District

	Use	District I
1.	Arboretum, botanical gardens or nurseries	<b>Y</b>
2.	Cafeterias and restaurants	· A
3	Caretaker's residence	АР
4.	Carnival, fiesta, or similar exhibition or celebration	Т
5.	Cemeteries (Crematorium as accessory)	C
6.	Churches	Y
7.	Colleges, universities and vocational training centers	Y
8.	Commercial uses (as principal use)	N
9.	Construction trailer	T
10.	Convention and exhibition centers	Y
11.	Country clubs (with golf course)	Y
12.	Cultural centers	Y
13.	Daycare/preschool	Υ
14.	Fire stations	Y
15.	Government offices	Y
16.	Hall rental	С
17.	Handicapped and senior citizen housing	С
18.	Historical landmarks, memorials and monuments	Υ

19.	Hospitals, medical centers, medical office complexes, convalescent hospitals	Y
20.	Interim storage of vehicles and service yard (2 years)	C
21.	Libraries	Y
22.	Manufacturing	N
23.	Marinas	Y
24.	Off-premises signs	N
25.	Outdoor sales events (see Section 21.52.256)	С
26.	Museums	Y
27.	Parking (commercial)	С
28.	Parking (courtesy)	Α
29.	Pistol or rifle range	С
30.	Police station	Υ
31.	Police training academy	С
32.	Recreational facility	A
33.	Residential - single-family	Y
34.	Residential - multiple-family	N
35.	Sale of alcoholic beverage	С
36.	Schools (public or private, excluding vocational schools)	Y
37.	Schools (vocational)	N

### Table 34-1 Uses in the Institutional District (Continued)

Use		District I
38.	Social service office of nonprofit organization	Y
39.	Special group residence (communal, board and care, etc.)	C ·
40.	Stadium	C
41.	Trailer used for office or nightwatchman's quarters	T
42.	Unattended Donation Box	A
43.	Water tanks	Y
44.	Wireless Telecommunications Facilities (see Chapter 21.56)	С

Abbreviations: Y = Permitted.

N = Not permitted

C = Conditional use permit required. Refer to Chapter 21.52.

A = Permitted as an accessory use. Special conditions may apply. Refer to Chapter 21.51.

T = Permitted as a temporary use subject to the requirements of Chapter 21.53 of this Title.

AP = Permitted with an administrative use permit.

### AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) ss COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ) CITY OF LONG BEACH )

Karen Baldwin being duly sworn says: That I am employed in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Long Beach; that on the 15th day of March, 2018, I posted three true and correct copies of Emergency Ordinance No. ORD-18-0003 in three conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, to wit: One of said copies in the entrance lobby of City Hall in front of the Information Desk; one of said copies in the Main Library; and one of said copies on the front counter of the Office of the City Clerk.

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 15h day of March, 2018.

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