

ORDINANCE NO. 731

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE AMENDING WILSONVILLE
CODE 8.210(9)**

WHEREAS, Wilsonville Code Chapter 8 is entitled Environment, section 8.210 is entitled Public Sewers – Construction, and sub-subsection 8.210(9) states, “Outside storage areas for grease, oil, waste products, recycling, garbage, and other sources of contaminants shall be a covered enclosure adequately sized to allow all containers to be accessible. No drainage is allowed to enter the storm sewer system.”

WHEREAS, this code sub-section was adopted to reduce the potential for pollutants from trash enclosure areas to be conveyed through the City’s storm sewer system and impact water quality in streams and rivers; and.

WHEREAS, the Wilsonville City Council asked staff to review the effectiveness of the requirement for covered trash enclosures; and

WHEREAS, staff visited commercial, industrial, and multi-family sites to observe trash enclosure areas, both with and without covers, with a focus on conditions that could be a source of pollutants and impact water quality in streams and rivers; and

WHEREAS, staff found a variety of trash enclosure area conditions, including: clean and orderly; undesirable with overflowing trash, open waste grease containers, grease buildup in the area, and trash and grease in storm sewer catch basins; trash containers outside of enclosures and scattered around parking lots; and recycle materials stored outside of the recycling receptacle; and

WHEREAS, staff concluded that a trash enclosure that is covered does not necessarily preclude the area from being a source of pollutants that could impact water quality in streams and rivers; and

WHEREAS, staff concluded that there are a variety of trash enclosures issues that could be improved, including their location, size, overall condition, pollutant source potential, maintenance, and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that Wilsonville Code sub-section 8.210(9) be amended to remove the requirement for a covered enclosure while maintaining protection against potential pollutants entering the storm sewer system and impacting water quality; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that modifications are also needed in the Wilsonville Code Section 4.179 Mixed Use Solid Waste and Recyclables Storage in New Multi-Unit Residential and Non-Residential Buildings to address size, spacing, location, and aesthetic standards; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that future requirements or programs also address trash area maintenance, best management practices for food establishments, and improved partnering and communication with the franchise hauler.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Wilsonville Code 8.210(9), “Outside storage areas for grease, oil, waste products, recycling, garbage, and other sources of contaminants shall be a covered enclosure adequately sized to allow all containers to be accessible. No drainage is allowed to enter the storm sewer system.” is hereby amended as follows:

“Outside storage areas for grease, oil, waste products, recycling, garbage, and other sources of contaminants shall be adequately sized to allow all containers to be accessible. Grease, oil, waste products, garbage and other contaminants from the storage area are prohibited from entering the storm sewer system.”

