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December 9, 2025, City Council Meeting

Title

Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Ordinance Amendments

Summary

City Council will consider adopting ordinance amendments and reenactment for Section 6-2-2, Definitions, Section 6-2-6, Accumulation of refuse or solid waste on premises in open view, Section 6-2-16, City facilities, area to be served, depositing refuse produced outside city, and Section 6-2-37, Bulk refuse collection, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Harrisonburg

Recommendation

Staff recommends the adoption of amendments as presented.

Fiscal Impact

None.

Context & Analysis

The Public Works Department is proposing changes to four (4) sections of the Solid Waste Ordinance to better align with current operations and procedures. Below is a brief explanation of the changes.

- **Section 6-2-2 Definitions** – Removed definitions that are no longer applicable to the ordinance.
- **Section 6-2-6 Accumulation of refuse or solid waste on premises in open view** – The revised language provides a clearer definition of refuse or solid waste and abandonment of items. It provides a 24-hour timeframe for the removal, from public view, of refuse or solid waste items, but does not change the 10-day timeframe for abandonment of items.
- **Section 6-2-16 City facilities, area to be served, depositing refuse produced outside city** – Grammatical changes.
- **Section 6-2-37 Bulk refuse collection** – Amending to match revised operational plan that becomes effective on January 5, 2026.

Options

1. Supporting adoption of the amendments
2. Not supporting the adoption of the amendments

Attachments

1. Ordinance