

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-7**

**AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE STANDARDS RELATED TO TRASH AND RECYCLING FACILITIES, THEREBY AMENDING CHAPTER 21 OF THE CITY CODE.**

The City Council of the City of Bloomington, Minnesota ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 21 of the City Code is hereby amended by deleting those words that are contained in brackets and ~~[stricken through]~~ and adding those underlined words, to read as follows:

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**CHAPTER 21: ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT**

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**ARTICLE III: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

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**DIVISION A: GENERAL STANDARDS**

**§ 21.301.17 REFUSE, SOLID WASTE, AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS HANDLING AND STORAGE FACILITIES.**

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**(g) Exceptions.**

- (1) A food service facility that meets the following criteria may store solid waste and recycling materials in containers within a defined area outdoors provided the standards in Section 21.301.17(g)(2) are met:**
  - (A) The food service facility is in an industrial zoning district;**
  - (B) The food service facility does not serve fried food; and**
  - (C) The food service facility is at least 500 feet from the nearest residentially zoned and used property measured in a direct line from the edge of the solid waste area to the closest property line of the residential use.**
- (2) Exception standards.**
  - (A) The solid waste/recycling area must not be visible from a public street;**
  - (B) The containers must be fully screened from public view by a fence or wall;**
  - (C) The containers must be constructed of non-combustible materials;**
  - (D) The containers must be within 20 feet of an access door of the facility they are serving;**

(E) To reduce the amount of leachate flowing to local water bodies, containers must be leak-proof, non-absorbent containing tight-fitting lids;

(F) The solid waste/recycling area must meet the lighting standards for building entrances;

(G) The solid waste/recycling area must be monitored by a security camera;

(H) The solid waste containers must be emptied at least twice per week;

(I) The containers must be cleaned in an area that drains to the sanitary sewer system. Any liquids or refuse that are directed or drain into the storm sewer system would be considered an illicit discharge as described in Section 16.10;

(J) The defined area may not be located in required parking areas; and

(K) The defined area may not block sidewalks, drive aisles, or impede pedestrian or vehicular circulation, or interfere with public safety.

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Passed and adopted this 15th day of April, 2024.

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