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AN ORDINANCE of the CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

By Schiff

Amending Title 13, Chapter 259 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Licenses and Business Regulations: In General

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 259 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances be amended by adding thereto a new Section 259.260 to read as follows:

259.260. Abandoned shopping carts to be impounded. Any shopping cart found abandoned upon the highways, streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public property, or on private property visible from public property, shall be deemed to be a public nuisance. A shopping cart shall be considered abandoned if the cart is not retrieved within twenty-four hours of the city receiving notice of the cart's location. The failure of the owner to retrieve the shopping cart shall be considered an abandonment of that cart. An abandoned shopping cart may be impounded by the city.

Section 2. That Chapter 259 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances be amended by adding thereto a new Section 259.270 to read as follows:

259.270. Notice to owners to redeem. Within seven (7) working days of impounding a cart, the city shall provide notice to the owner of the impounded cart, if identifiable, of the impoundment. The notice shall set forth the number of carts that were impounded and shall direct the owner to redeem those carts within fifteen (15) days from the date of the notice.

Section 3. That Chapter 259 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances be amended by adding thereto a new Section 259.280 to read as follows:

259.280. Redemption fee. An owner who redeems an impounded cart shall pay to the city an administrative fee of one hundred fifty dollars ($150) per cart to cover the costs expended by the city for retrieving the cart, notifying the owner and storing the cart. The fee imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other fee or penalty that is imposed.

Section 4. That Chapter 259 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances be amended by adding thereto a new Section 259.290 to read as follows:

259.290. Disposition of unclaimed carts. Impounded carts that are not redeemed within the time period set forth by section 259.270 may be disposed of by the city. Where the owner of the cart is not identifiable, the city may dispose of the cart fifteen (15) days after the impoundment.

Certified as an official action of the City Council: jul

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE (X INDICATES VOTE)													
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	NOT VOTING	ABSENT	VOTE TO OVERRIDE	VOTE TO SUSTAIN	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	NOT VOTING	ABSENT	VOTE TO OVERRIDE	VOTE TO SUSTAIN
President Ostrow	X						Goodman	X					
							Lilligren	X					
Zerby	X						Schiff	X					
Samuels	X						Niziolek	X					
Johnson	X						Benson	X					
Johnson Lee	X						Colvin Roy	X					
Zimmermann	X						Lane	X					

ADOPTED MAY 27 2005 DATE

[X] **APPROVED** [ ] **NOT APPROVED** [ ] **VETOED**

ATTEST Mary Keefe CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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