

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to regulating unattended charitable donation collection boxes.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Price - Buscaino):

REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance to regulate unattended collection boxes, that includes the following requirements:

- a. The operators prove they are either a legitimate non-profit or business and be in good standing with the State of California.
- b. That unattended box placement should be permitted and the appropriate department should establish a fee for the placement of the bins.
- c. The owner/operator should have express written permission of the property owner to leave a box.
- d. The boxes must be maintained and at no times should be the organizations contact information be obstructed.
- e. The City should establish sufficient penalties/fines and other enforcement capabilities to address troublesome owner/operators.
- f. The owner/operator be required to provide the City periodic reports of the amount of clothing and other materials collected within the City.
- g. A City permit sticker to be applied to each donation box and to be renewed on an annual basis.
- h. Filing, with the City of Los Angeles, the expressed written permission of the property owner on which the donation box is located.
- i. Affixing to the donation box the phone number of the donation box owner and operator in a visible manner.
- j. A regular maintenance schedule for overflow and graffiti, affixing a log for such maintenance on the donation box.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on June 27, 2014, the Public Safety Committee considered a Motion (Price - Buscaino) relative to regulating unattended charitable donation collection boxes. An opportunity for public comment was held. During the discussion of the item, the committee requested that the following additions be made to the Ordinance: a City permit sticker to be applied to each donation box and to be renewed on an annual basis; filing, with the City of Los Angeles, the expressed written permission of the property owner on which the donation box is located; affixing to the donation box the phone number of the donation box owner and operator in a visible manner; and a regular maintenance schedule for overflow and graffiti, affixing a log for such maintenance on the donation box.

After further discussing the matter, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion as amended in Committee and detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>Member</u>	<u>Vote</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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