

Sec. 13-71. - Abandoned cart prevention plan.

The city shall determine whether a retail establishment's plan for retrieving its shopping carts submitted pursuant to this article is reasonably calculated to result in the prompt removal of the retail establishment's shopping carts found throughout the city on property other than that of the retail establishment furnishing the shopping carts to patrons. The shopping cart retrieval plan shall identify the number of employees who will be assigned such cart retrieval duties, the number of total hours per week that each assigned employee will perform such retrievals, and extent of training each of such personnel has received or will receive concerning the retrieval of lost, stolen or abandoned shopping carts. The shopping cart retrieval plan shall include a copy of each contract with a cart retrieval service or indicate that the cart retrieval will be performed in-house. The shopping cart retrieval plan shall identify the streets and bus stops which will be patrolled as required by this article as well as the manner, frequency, and times of such patrols.

Based on the above referenced criteria, the city shall approve, reject or modify a plan, within 30 days of when the plan is submitted. If the plan is approved, the proposed measures shall be implemented no later than 30 days after approval. If the plan is rejected, the retail establishment shall modify the plan and re-submit it to the city no later than 30 days after the date of its rejection.

Following the approval of a plan, a retail establishment may file a written request with the city manager to amend its plan. The proposed amended plan is subject to the same criteria and review process as an original plan.

If a retail establishment's original or amended plan is approved by the city and subsequently, the city manager determines that the retail establishment's plan for retrieving its shopping carts found throughout the city is ineffective, the city manager shall notify the establishment in writing and a new or modified plan to correct any deficiencies identified by the city shall be submitted within 30 days. The city manager shall provide the retail establishment with written notice of such, along with the city manager's recommendation.

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