

Dumpsters in the Right of Way



Background

- ▶ Redevelopment
 - ▶ Demolition required → dumpsters
- ▶ Increased level of activity downtown
 - More traffic
 - More demand for parking
- ▶ Need to find a balance



Current Situation

- ▶ City Code Sec. 14.1–45. – Placement and maintenance of bulk containers.
 - (a) No person shall place any bulk container on public property or in the public right-of-way **without written permission** of the city manager nor shall any person place such bulk container on private property in such way that collection of solid waste will **obstruct or impede pedestrian or vehicular traffic** or otherwise create a safety hazard.
 - (b) All bulk containers, and the immediate area around them, shall be kept clean and sanitary at all times. Solid waste shall be completely contained within such container, all doors of the unit shall be kept closed, and all drain plugs shall be tightly secured.



Current Situation

- ▶ Permitting process
 - ▶ No charge to place
 - ▶ 30 day duration & renewable
 - ▶ Location is somewhat negotiable
 - ▶ Very developer friendly

- ▶ 82 Permits issued 2015–2016
 - ▶ 22 permits downtown (6 in 2016, 16 in 2015)
 - ▶ 5 renewed (one for 180 days, one for 90)
 - ▶ Average duration = 30.9 days



Benchmarking

<u>Locality</u>	<u>Fee and duration</u>	<u>Approx. 30 day cost</u>
Alexandria	\$125/ 30 days + \$30/day/space or \$40/day/ meter	\$1,000 (pkg space)/ \$1,300 (metered pkg space)
Arlington	\$40 1 day base fee + \$4/ day for each additional day + lane impact fee or parking meter closure fee	\$700 - \$6,000 including lane fee (\$0.10/\$0.35/ \$0.60 per LF per day) addt'l \$20 - \$200 per day
Charlottesville	\$20/ day for on-street parking spot	\$600
Falls Church	\$137.50/ 45 days	\$100
Hampton	\$200/ 90 days	\$70
Newport News	\$50/ duration of project	\$50
Norfolk	\$50/ 5 days, \$100/ 30 days, \$100 + \$10/ day for 31 days and beyond	\$100
Richmond	\$40/ 60 days	\$20

Considerations

- ▶ Balance stakeholder needs
 - Needed for development to occur
 - How to manage duration
 - Respectful of impact to adjacent businesses
- ▶ Current provider fee structure
 - \$230 – \$300 per month + dump fees (\$60)
 - \$140 – \$200 to deliver and remove
 - \$2–4/ day



Options

- ▶ Maintain current practices
 - No fee, flexible & no limit on renewals
- ▶ No fee for 30 days w/ fee for renewal?
- ▶ Fee upon application w/ additional fees for renewal?
- ▶ Fees increase as duration increases?



Next steps

- ▶ Fees
 - Not a revenue generator
 - Incentive to use and remove
 - Impact on downtown

