

January 2, 2009

Dear Irving Business Owner,

The Irving City Council has identified several key focus areas which will help promote vital, vibrant neighborhoods. One area in need of improvement is the unsightly display of dumpsters. In an effort to address this concern, the City Council recently amended the ordinance which regulates dumpster locations and screening enclosures. Once all property owners have complied with the new regulations, we can expect to see:

- Improvements to the appearance and overall image of the city
- Fewer unsightly dumpsters in view for customers and the public
- Decreased “midnight” and “illegal” dumping, resulting in less daily clean up or more frequent service
- A cleaner environment with less blowing debris on your property and along roadways

The deadlines for the new standards are described below and in the attached flyer. Your continued partnership and voluntary compliance is greatly appreciated.

**Phase 1- Relocation**

- No later than **March 02, 2009** all dumpsters shall be relocated behind buildings with no visibility from the street. If no compliant location exists on site, dumpsters shall be located as far as feasible from streets until such time as enclosures are constructed during Phase 2.

**Phase 2- Screening of dumpsters visible from street; single family residence; and public property**

- No later than **January 1, 2011**, dumpsters which are not located in allowable unscreened locations shall be screened with masonry enclosures:
  - Minimum height of 7 feet
    - Gates may be of metal or wood material

We realize some businesses may have difficulty in complying with various aspects of the new ordinance. Should your unique situation prevent you from achieving compliance with the *setback or location* requirements, a written request (including a site plan) for a modification should be submitted to the Department of Planning and Inspections within fourteen days of receipt of a Notice of Violation from the Code Enforcement Department.

For more information about Chapter 33-Ordinance No. 2008-8992, adopted November 20, 2008, please go to the web site: <http://www.cityofirvng.org> or contact the Planning and Inspections Department (972) 721-2371 or the Code Enforcement Department (972) 721-4829.

Respectfully,

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City of Irving