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By Council Members Abreu, Restler and Epstein

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to allowing certain associations to request stationary on-street waste containers for the storage and collection of waste

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision a of section 16-114.2 of chapter 1 of title 16 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 180 for the year 2025, is amended by adding new definitions of "block association" and "non-profit association" in alphabetical order to read as follows:

Block association. The term "block association" means any formal or informal group of residents on a city street who collaborate to manage or participate in the activities occurring in the surrounding area.

Non-profit association. The term "non-profit association" means (i) any charitable, educational, religious or political organization, or any association incorporated in accordance with or subject to the provisions of the New York not-for-profit corporation law; or (ii) any other organization or association which does not exist for purposes of pecuniary profit or financial gain and no part of the assets, income or profit of which is distributable to its members, directors, or officers.

§ 2. Section 16-114.2 of chapter 1 of title 16 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law number 180 for the year 2025, is amended by adding a new subdivision f to read as follows:

f. Where the department adopts rules pursuant to subdivision c of this section, the department shall establish a process for a block association or non-profit association to request that a stationary on-street container be installed to set out residential refuse in such stationary on-street container which is shared by 2 or more residential buildings. Such process shall include that, after the department receives such a request from a

block association or non-profit association:

(1) the department shall contact the owners of all residential buildings proposed by the block association or non-profit association to be included for the set out of residential refuse in a stationary on-street container which is shared by 2 or more residential buildings, and request the building owner's affirmation of their agreement to opt in to their building's use of such stationary on-street container;

(2) after receiving the affirmations described in paragraph 1 of this subdivision, if any, the department shall make a determination, in its discretion, as to the viability of a stationary on-street container for such affirming residential buildings at such location, taking into consideration the department's fleet and collection routes and the total number of residential units and buildings proposed to be included for the set out of residential refuse in such stationary on-street container; and

(3) upon making a determination pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subdivision that it is viable to install a stationary on-street container which is shared by 2 or more residential buildings for the set out of residential refuse, the department shall install a stationary on-street container on the block where all such residential buildings are located, and send to all owners of residential buildings who provided an affirmation described in paragraph 1 of this subdivision written notice of: (i) the requirement to set out of residential refuse in such stationary on-street container and the date such requirement will take effect; (ii) identification of the building designated to be responsible for the regular maintenance and cleanliness of such stationary on-street container; and (iii) any fees to be paid by the owners of all such residential buildings for their use of such stationary on-street container, in compliance with paragraph 5 of subdivision c of this section.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law.

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