

Report of the Work Group on Containers in the Right-of-Way



City of Portland
Office of Sustainable Development
Office of Transportation

Council Public-Private Work Group

- Business associations
- City agencies with some jurisdiction
- Citizen members



Containers Cause Problems



Current Law

- **16.20.170 Storing Property on Street Prohibited.**
- **A.** No person may store, or permit to be stored, a vehicle **or other personal property on public right-of-way** or other public property in excess of 24 hours without permission of the City Engineer, the City Traffic Engineer, or the Bureau of Development Services.



Three Tier Approach

Proactive

- All **new** buildings and major renovations must provide space for garbage and recycling on their property.

Existing Containers

2. Publicize the law for 6 months
3. Respond to complaints and work with businesses to achieve compliance



Costs to City

- Work with new buildings for compliance **.5 FTE**
- Publicize existing law
- Work with businesses when complaints are received **5 FTE**



Potential Costs to Business

- Increased garbage collection service
- Costs for internal renovations



Next Steps

- Draft new Code language for new buildings
- Draft Code and rules for existing containers
- Publicize law to businesses
- In 6 months work with businesses that have received complaints
- Report back to Council in one year

