

URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 912

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA,  
AMENDING SECTION 8.20.080 OF THE LANCASTER  
MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SWEEPING  
LITTER INTO GUTTERS.

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously adopted Section 8.20.080 of the Lancaster Municipal Code exempting the sweeping of leaves and similar refuse into the streets for pickup by street sweepers;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to eliminate such exemption.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 8.20.080 of Chapter 8.20 of the Lancaster Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**“8.20.080 Sweeping litter, leaves and similar refuse into gutters prohibited.**

No person shall sweep into or deposit into a gutter, or other public place within the city the accumulation of litter, including leaves and similar refuse, from any building or lot or from any public or private sidewalk or driveway. Persons owning or occupying property shall keep the sidewalk in front of their premises free of litter, including leaves and similar refuse.”

Section 2. Declaration of Urgency. There is a current and immediate threat to the public health, safety and welfare arising from the accumulation of leaves and similar refuse in the gutters which prevents the proper flow of runoff water through out the city. In order to avoid such health and safety problems, this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon the date of its adoption.

Section 3. That any provision of the Lancaster Municipal Code or appendices thereto inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, is hereby repealed or modified to that extent necessary to effect the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is held for any reason to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of Lancaster hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 5. The Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Urgency Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published and posted pursuant to the provisions of law in that regard and this Urgency Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

I, Geri K. Bryan, CMC, City Clerk of the City of Lancaster, do hereby certify that the foregoing urgency ordinance was regularly introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 by the vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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GERI K. BRYAN, CMC  
City Clerk  
City of Lancaster

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R. REX PARRIS  
Mayor  
City of Lancaster

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            }  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES       } ss  
CITY OF LANCASTER            }

CERTIFICATION OF ORDINANCE  
CITY COUNCIL

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ City of  
Lancaster, California, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original  
Urgency Ordinance No. 912, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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