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The City of CITRUS HEIGHTS is committed to providing high quality, economical, responsive city services to our community.

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Re: Anticipated Adoption of a Shopping Cart Ordinance

Dear Business Owner/Manager:

Your business and our community have a shared frustration: shopping cart removal and theft. The problem affects your operations and also creates blight and safety issues in our commercial shopping areas and thoroughfares. While the City of Citrus Heights retrieves carts as part of nuisance abatement, the demand has increased to the point preventative measures are needed. This fall, the City of Citrus Heights is anticipated to adopt a Shopping Cart Ordinance to prevent this activity and assist in the containment of shopping carts on the business' property. Adopting the ordinance will allow the City to cite those in unauthorized possession of a cart and have a process in place to notify cart owners of carts found off their premise. This ordinance is one tool in a robust toolbox being built to combat blight and improve community image. Additional information can be found in the enclosed Program FAQ.

To keep informed as to the progress of the proposed ordinance, including a timeline and a copy of the draft ordinance, refer to the city's website www.citrusheights.net/shoppingcarts. On the webpage you will also find a link to enroll in the city's e-notifier service to be informed on status changes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Planning Division at (916) 727-4740 or by e-mail planning@citrusheights.net.

Enc: FAQ's of Shopping Cart Ordinance

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