



Palm Beach County

Recycling Drop-Off Bins

[aka Donation Boxes/Stations]

Zoning Division Public Meeting

June 29, 2012



Background

- In a letter dated February 15, 2012, and as discussed at the March 6, 2012 BCC Public Hearing and April 26, 2012 BCC Zoning Hearing, Gulfstream Goodwill has requested that the BCC consider adopting regulations that would prohibit “unattended” donation boxes/stations.
- A News Release advising the public of this Public Hearing has been posted on the PZ&B and Zoning Division web-pages.
- PZ&B identified several interested parties and notified them of this Public Hearing via mail (see letter dated May 7, 2012).
- As staff discussed with the Board on April 26, 2012, there has been proliferation of illegally placed donation boxes throughout the County.
- At June 5, 2012 BCC regular agenda, the Board directed staff to work with interested parties to solicit feedback.



Background: ULDC Regulations

Most Donation Boxes would be classified under ULDC Art. 4.B.1.A.104, Recycling Drop Off Bin. Typical requirements include but are not limited to:

- ✓ “A totally enclosed mobile structure containing no more than 4 cubic yards...”
- ✓ Zoning approval required.
- ✓ Location.
- ✓ Maintenance.
- ✓ Processing.
- ✓ Type of Materials.
- ✓ Signage.
- ✓ Number.



Background: ULDC Regulations

Typical Examples of Recycling Drop Off Bins (aka Donation Boxes):





Typical dimensions of a Recycling Drop-Off Bin



	H	W	D	Feet ³	Yard ³
A	6.91'	4.00'	4.08'	112.77	4.16
B	6.08'	4.81'	4.66'	136.28	5.00
C	5.66'	3.95'	4.41'	98.59	3.64

1 yd³ = 27 ft³



Background: ULDC Regulations

Larger Donation Boxes would be classified under ULDC Art. 4.B.1.A.106, Recycling Collection Station. Typical requirements include but are not limited to:

- ✓ A totally enclosed structure or mobile container, containing more than 4 cubic yards...”
- ✓ Zoning approval required.
- ✓ Type of Materials.
- ✓ Parking.



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Background: ULDC Regulations

Typical Examples of Recycling Collection Stations:





POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AMENDMENTS

- 1) Take No Action (Enforce Current Code)
- 2) Amendment Topics:
 - Require Staffing (to include access to bathroom facilities)
 - Only Allow in Conjunction with On-site Business
 - Additional Regulations on Aesthetics
 - Additional Sign Requirements
 - Others
- 3) Prohibit (Donation drop off would be limited to brick and mortar businesses).



POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AMENDMENTS

1) Take No Action (Enforce Current Code)

- PZ&B staff have identified numerous developments with illegally established Donation Boxes.
- Several larger developments have multiple Donation Boxes.
- Enforcement would require Zoning approval, compliance with ULDC regulations, and would limit each development to one Donation Box each.
- Minor amendments recommended to clarify types of materials permitted to be accepted.



2) Amendment Topics:

- **Require Staffing**
- **Only Allow in conjunction with On-site Business**
- **Additional Regulations on Aesthetics**



2) Amendment Topics:

- **Additional Sign Requirements**
 - The ULDC currently requires signage that clearly posts the name and phone number of a responsible party.
 - Note: It appears most Donation Boxes include information regarding purpose such as reduce impacts to landfills, environmental benefits, or charitable giving.

- **Others**



3) Prohibit (Donation drop off would be limited to brick and mortar businesses).

- Would limit collections to facilities that provide for managed drop off – staffing.
- Note – According to the SWA, typical materials collected are defined by F.S. as “source separated” and “recovered materials” and are exempt from regulation as solid waste.
- May need to consider benefits to society due to convenience of opportunities to recycle certain goods.



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CLOTHING DROP

DON'T THROW THE WORLD AWAY RECYCLE!

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF BOX.



PLEASE NO BOOKS OR FURNITURE.

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this needs to change. By placing textile recycling bins in convenient locations together we can work towards our goal of diverting reusable materials from our landfills. Join us in recycling your old items, giving them a second life, and sustaining the environment. It simply makes good sense. We are a commercial recycling company dedicated to making a difference. We are not agents or partners with any other organization.

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make a difference!**

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