As Amended in Board 3/29/05

ORDINANCE NO. 68-05

FILE NO. 050071

[Shopping Cart Signage and Security Requirements.]

Ordinance amending Part II, Chapter X, of the San Francisco Municipal (Public Works) Code by adding Sections 1410-1414, requiring permanently affixed signs on shopping carts, requiring businesses with carts to post signs prohibiting removal from premises and to secure all carts during hours business is closed.

Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman; deletions are strikethrough italics Times New Roman.

Board amendment additions are double underlined.
Board amendment deletions are strikethrough normal.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Chapter X of the San Francisco Municipal (Public Works) Code is hereby amended by adding Sections 1410 to 1414, to read as follows:

Sec. 1410. Signage Required on Carts. No business shall supply carts for use by its customers unless the cart has permanently affixed on it a sign that contains the following information:

(a) Identification of the owner of the cart or the business providing the cart for use, or both;

(b) Identification of the procedures to be utilized for authorized removal of the cart from the premises or parking area;

(c) Notification that removal of the cart from the premises or parking area of the business establishment and/or the unauthorized possession of the cart is a violation of state law; and

(d) A valid telephone number or address for returning the cart to the owner or business providing the cart.

Sec. 1411. Mandatory Signage on Premises. Every business that owns or provides carts for the use of its customers within the City and County of San Francisco shall post conspicuous signs at or near each entrance to its parking lot and the public entrance doors to

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Any person violating this Article or any rules or regulations issued pursuant to this Article of which the person has been given notice, shall be guilty of an infraction and subject to a fine of not in excess of $100. (b) The violation of any provision of this Article that would otherwise be an infraction shall be a misdemeanor if the person who has violated such provision has previously been convicted of two or more violations within the 12-month period immediately preceding the current offense and the prior convictions are admitted by the person charged with the violations or are alleged in the accusatory pleading. For this purpose, a bail forfeiture shall be deemed to be a conviction of the offense charged. A person convicted of a

Sec. 1412. Exemptions.

(a) A business that has a physical security device, such as trip wires or barriers, that prevents customers from removing carts from the premises shall be exempt from both the cart and the premises signage requirements.

(b) A business that does not have a physical security device shall be exempt from the cart signage requirements if: (1) the business retrieves carts at least two days per week at San Francisco Department of Public Works shopping cart retrieval yard; and (2) has permanently affixed to the cart information sufficient to identify the owner.

Sec. 1413. Securing of Carts. Every business that owns or provides carts for the use of its customers shall ensure that all carts on its premises are secured such that a member of the public may not remove any carts from the premises during the hours that the business is closed.

Sec. 1414. Penalty. (a) Any person violating this Article or any rules or regulations issued pursuant to this Article of which the person has been given notice, shall be guilty of an infraction and subject to a fine of not in excess of $100. (b) The violation of any provision of this Article that would otherwise be an infraction shall be a misdemeanor if the person who has violated such provision has previously been convicted of two or more violations within the 12-month period immediately preceding the current offense and the prior convictions are admitted by the person charged with the violations or are alleged in the accusatory pleading. For this purpose, a bail forfeiture shall be deemed to be a conviction of the offense charged. A person convicted of a
misdemeanor pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to imprisonment in the County Jail
for a period not exceeding 30 days or a fine not exceeding $500, or both.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:
MARGARET W. BAUMGARTNER
Deputy City Attorney
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March 15, 2005 Board of Supervisors — CONTINUED
Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

March 22, 2005 Board of Supervisors — PASSED ON FIRST READING
Ayes: 8 - Alioto-Pier, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 3 - Ammiano, Daly, Mirkarimi

March 29, 2005 Board of Supervisors — AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE
Ayes: 9 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin
Excused: 2 - Daly, Sandoval

March 29, 2005 Board of Supervisors — PASSED ON FIRST READING AS AMENDED
Ayes: 7 - Alioto-Pier, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin
Noes: 2 - Ammiano, Mirkarimi
Excused: 2 - Daly, Sandoval

April 5, 2005 Board of Supervisors — FINALLY PASSED
Ayes: 7 - Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 2 - Ammiano, Mirkarimi
Absent: 2 - Alioto-Pier, Daly
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on April 5, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Date Approved

4/15/2005

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom