

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA            )  
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON                )                ORDINANCE 2020-08  
TOWN OF SOUTH CONGAREE            )

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN OF SOUTH CONGAREE GENERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE IX, BY ADDING CHAPTER 97 – UNATTENDED DONATION COLLECTION BOXES**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Council is authorized to establish ordinances for the general purposes of guiding development in accordance with existing and future needs and promoting public health, safety, morals, convenience, order, appearance, prosperity and general welfare and;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town of South Congaree, South Carolina, in Council duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that that Chapter 97: Unattended Donation Collection Boxes be added to Title IX: General Regulations to read as follows:

**Chapter 97 – Unattended Donation Collection Boxes**

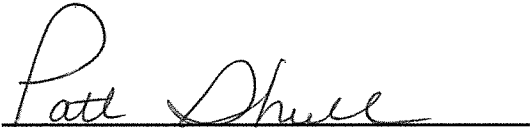
- 97.01            Standards:**  
If any of the provisions of this chapter are inconsistent with the provisions of any other law presently existing or enacted in the future the more restrictive requirement shall apply.  
If any other provision of any other chapter of these ordinances is clearly in conflict with this chapter this chapter shall apply.  
Other provisions determined by the Planning Commission, Architectural Review Board or the Zoning Board of Appeals to have a detrimental effect on the surrounding neighborhood and businesses.
- 97.02            Severability:**  
If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional or unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.
- 97.03            Purpose**  
The purpose of this chapter is to regulate the placement and condition of unattended donation collection boxes within the town. The requirements of this chapter are intended to: promote the community's health, safety, and welfare by regulating unattended donation collection boxes for clothing or other salvageable personal property; ensure that unattended donation collection boxes do not pose a hazard to pedestrian and vehicular traffic; ensure that material is not allowed to accumulate outside of the unattended donation collection boxes where it can be scattered by adverse weather conditions,

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Public Hearing: 02/18/2020  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hearing: 02/18/2020



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Danny Jones, Mayor

Attest:



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Patt Shull, Town Clerk

animal contacts and human activities; and establish criteria that avoid attracting vermin, unsightliness, and public health hazards. Donation collection boxes shall be subject to the following requirements.

### **97.03 Requirements**

- A. Shall be placed on a paved or concrete surface.
- B. Shall not be permitted on vacant lots, abandoned property or in any residential district.
- C. Shall meet the minimum setback requirements for the lot for accessory structures and the boxes may not be placed in any required buffer, landscape strip, parking space, fire lane, loading zone, drive aisles or circulation area identified as required under applicable codes.
- D. Shall not be located in a manner that obstructs visibility within any public or private right-of-way or at any other location that may cause hazardous conditions, constitute a threat to public safety, or create a condition detrimental to surrounding land uses.
- E. Only two (2) boxes shall be allowed on a parcel of real property in an area not to exceed a total of 120 square feet.
- F. No two (2) boxes shall be placed within four hundred feet from any another donation collection box(es).
- G. One (1) Box shall not exceed seven feet tall, six feet wide or six feet long.
- H. Shall only be placed on authorized properties with written permission from the property owner. Upon request, the written permission shall be made available to the town for review.
- I. Shall establish a weekly pick-up schedule and/or pick-up within 48 hours following a property owner's request.
- J. No items shall be left outside the boxes for more than 24 hours. Items must be removed by the box operator or property owners.
- K. Must display the following information on the outside of the box: name and telephone number of the owner/operator, who's responsible for removing any donated items or debris, the type of items sought for donations and a statement prohibiting liquids and dumping.
- L. Boxes shall be maintained at all times. No paint peeling, fading, rusting or chipping is allowed. Failure to maintain a box or the area surrounding the box may result in removal of the box, at the expense of the property owner and/or owner or operator of the box, and the property owner and/or owner or operator of the box shall be prohibited from future boxes being allowed on this site for a period of five (5) years.
- M. Box colors shall meet the requirements established in Title XV - Chapter 158.300 Beautification and Unification.