CHAPTER 19.76

BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING COLLECTION CENTERS

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19.76.010 PERMITTED USES

Pursuant to all applicable City standards and codes, uses permitted in CN, CC, LI, GI zones shall include reversed vending machines on a parcel where there is an industrial or commercial use and the siting of small collections centers on vacant or built out parcels.

19.76.020 PERMITS REQUIRED

Large collection, light processing and heavy processing facilities shall be approved subject to a conditional use permit.

19.76.030 PERMITS FOR MULTIPLE SITES

A single administrative permit may be granted to allow more than one reverse vending machine(s) or small collection facility located on different sites under the following conditions:

- 1. The operator of each of the proposed facilities is the same.
- 2. The proposed facilities are determined by the Director or his representative to be similar in nature, size and intensity of activity.
- 3. All of the applicable criteria and standards set forth in Section 19.76.040 through 19.76.070 are met for each such proposed facility.

19.76.040 REVERSE VENDING MACHINES – CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

Reverse vending machine(s) shall comply with the following standards:

- 1. Be established in conjunction with a commercial use or community service facility which is in compliance with the zoning, building and fire codes of the City.
- 2. Be located within 30 feet of the entrance to the commercial structure and shall not obstruct pedestrian or vehicular circulation.
- 3. Not occupy parking spaces required by the primary use.

- 4. Occupy no more than 50 square feet of floor space per installation, including any protective enclosure, and shall be no more than 8 feet in height.
- 5. Be constructed and maintained with durable waterproof and rustproof material.
- 6. Be clearly marked to identify the type of material to be deposited, operating instructions, and the identity and phone number of the operator or responsible person to call if the machine is inoperative.
- 7. Have a sign area of a maximum of 4 square feet per machine, exclusive of operating instruction.
- 8. Be maintained in a clean, litter-free condition on a daily basis.
- 9. Operating hours shall be at least the operating hours of the host use.
- 10. Be illuminated to ensure comfortable and safe operation if operating hours are between dusk and dawn.

19.76.050 SMALL COLLECTION FACILITIES – CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

Small collection facilities may be sited in commercial and industrial zones provided they comply with the following conditions:

A. Development Criteria

- 1. Be established in conjunction with an existing commercial use or community service facility which is in compliance with the zoning, building and fire codes of the City.
- 2. Be no larger than 500 square feet and occupy no more than 5 parking spaces not including space that will be periodically needed for removal of materials or exchange of containers.
- 3. Be set back at least 10 feet from any street line and shall not obstruct pedestrian or vehicular circulation.
- 4. Accept only glass, metals, plastic containers, papers and reusable items. Used motor oil may be accepted with permission of the local public health official.
- 5. Use no power-driven processing equipment except for reverse vending machines.
- 6. Use containers that are constructed and maintained with durable waterproof and rustproof material, covered when site is not attended, secured from unauthorized entry or removal of material, and be of a capacity sufficient to accommodate materials collected and collection schedule.
- 7. Store all recyclable material in containers or in the mobile unit vehicle, and not leave materials outside of containers when attendant is not present.
- 8. Be maintained free of litter and any other undesirable materials, and mobile facilities, at which truck or containers are removed at the end

- of each collection day, shall be swept at the end of each collection day.
- 9. Not exceed noise levels of 60 dBA as measured at the property line of residentially zoned or occupied property, otherwise shall not exceed 70 dBA.
- 10. Attended facilities located within 100 feet of a property zoned or occupied for residential use shall operate only during the hours between 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.
- 11. Containers for 24-hour donation of materials shall be at least 33 feet from any property zoned or occupied for residential use unless there is a recognized service corridor and acoustical shielding between the containers and the residential use.
- 12. Containers shall be clearly marked to identify the type of material which may be deposited; the facility shall be clearly marked to identify the name and telephone number of the facility operator and the hours of operation, and display a notice stating that no material shall be left outside the recycling enclosure or containers.
- 13. The facility shall not impair the landscaping required by local ordinances for any concurrent use by this Chapter or any permit issued pursuant thereto.
- 14. No additional parking spaces shall be required for customers of a small collection facility located at the established parking lot of a host use. One space shall be provided for the attendant, if needed.
- 15. Mobile recycling units shall have an area clearly marked to prohibit other vehicular parking during hours when the mobile unit is scheduled to be present.
- 16. Occupation of parking spaced by the facility and by the attendant shall not reduce available parking spaces below the minimum number required for the primary host use unless all of the following conditions exist:
 - a. The facility is located in a convenience zone or a potential convenience zone as designated by the California Department of Conservation.
 - b. A parking study shows that existing parking capacity is not already fully utilized during the time the recycling facility will be on the site.
 - c. A reduction in available parking spaces in an established parking facility may then be allowed as follows:
 - 1) For a commercial hose use:

Number of Available	Maximum Reduction
Parking Spaces	
0-25	0
26-35	2
36-49	3
50-99	4

100 + 5

2) For a community facility host use: A maximum 5 spaces reduction will be allowed when not in conflict with parking needs of the hose use.

B. Signs

Signs may be provided as follows:

- 1. Recycling facilities may have identification signs with a maximum of 20 percent per side or 16 square feet, whichever is larger, in addition to informational signs required in Subsection (A) (12) of this Section. In the case of a wheeled facility, the side will be measured from the pavement to the top of the container.
- 2. Signs shall be consistent with the character of the location.
- 3. Directional signs bearing no advertising message may be installed with the approval of the Director of designated representative if necessary to facilitate traffic circulation.
- 4. The Director or his/her designated representative may authorize increases in the number and size of signs upon the findings that such is compatible with adjacent businesses.

19.76.060 LARGE COLLECTION FACILITIES – CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

A large collection facility is one that is larger than 500 square feet, or is on a separate property not appurtenant to a host use and which may have a permanent building. A large collection facility is permitted in neighborhood commercial zones with a minor use permit and in other commercial and industrial zones with a site development permit, provided the facility meets the following standards:

A. Facility Standards

- 1. Facility does not abut a property zoned for residential use.
- 2. Facility will be screened from the public right-of-way by operating in an enclosed building or:
 - a. Within an area enclosed by an opaque fence at least 6 feet in height with landscaping.
 - b. At least 150 feet from property zoned for residential use: and
 - c. Meets all applicable noise standards of the Perris Municipal Code.

B. Development Standards

1. Setbacks and landscape requirements shall be those provided for in the zoning district in which the facility is located.

- 2. All exterior storage of material shall be sturdy containers which are covered, secured and maintained in good condition. Storage containers for flammable material shall be constructed of nonflammable material. Oil storage must be in containers approved by the City Fire Department and/or Riverside County Health Official. No storage, excluding truck trailers and overseas containers, shall be visible above the height of the fencing.
- 3. Sites shall be maintained free of litter and any other undesirable materials and shall be cleaned of loose debris on a daily basis.
- 4. Space shall be provided on sites for 6 vehicles or the anticipated peak customer load, whichever is higher, to circulate and to deposit recyclable materials except where the Director or his/her designee determined that allowing overflow traffic above 6 vehicles is compatible with surrounding businesses and public safety.
- 5. One parking space shall be provided for each commercial vehicle operated by the recycling facility. Parking requirements shall be as provided for in the zone except that parking requirements for employees may be reduced when it can be shown that parking spaces are not necessary, such as when employees are transported in a company vehicle to a work facility.
- 6. Noise levels shall not exceed 60 dBA as measured at the property line of residentially zoned property.
- 7. If the facility is located within 500 feet of property zoned for residential use, it shall not be in operation between 7:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M.
- 8. Any containers provided for after hours donation of recyclable materials shall be at least 500 feet from any property zoned for residential use, shall be of sturdy, rustproof construction, shall have sufficient capacity to accommodate materials collected and shall be secure from unauthorized entry or removal of materials.
- 9. Donation areas shall be kept free of litter and any other undesirable material, and the containers shall be clearly marked to identify the type of material that may be deposited. The facility shall display a notice stating that no material shall be left outside the recycling containers.
- 10. The facility shall be clearly marked with the name and phone number of the facility operator and the hours of operation; identification and informational signs shall meet the standards of the zone; and directional signs, bearing no advertising message, may be installed with the approval of the Director or his/her designee to facilitate traffic circulation if the facility is not visible from the public right-of-way.
- 11. Power-driven processing, including aluminum foil and can compacting, baling, plastic shredding, or other light processing activities necessary for efficient temporary storage and shipment of material, may be approved through a use permit process or at the

discretion of the Director or his/her designee if noise and other conditions are met.

19.76.070 PROCESSING FACILITIES – CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

A. Zones Permitted

A light processing facility shall be permitted in CC and LI Zones with a minor use permit. A large processor is permitted in the LI Zone with a conditional use permit. All processors are permitted in the GI Zone with an approved site plan or according to the practice of the City of Perris for similar uses.

B. Conditions

A processor shall meet the following conditions:

- 1. The facility does not abut a property zoned for residential use.
- 2. In a commercial or light industrial zone, processors shall operate in a wholly enclosed building except for incidental storage, or:
 - a. Within an area enclosed on all sides by an opaque fence or wall not less than 8 feet in height and landscaped on all street frontages.
 - b. Located at least 150 feet from property zoned or planned for residential use.
- 3. Power-driven processing shall be permitted, provided all noise level requirements are met. Light processing facilities are limited to baling, briquetting, crushing, compacting, grinding, shredding, and sorting of source-separated recyclable materials and repairing of reusable materials.
- 4. A light processing facility shall be no larger than 45,000 square feet and shall have no more than an average of two outbound truck shipments of material per day and may not shred, compact or bale ferrous metals other than food and beverage containers.
- 5. A processing facility may accept used motor oil for recycling from the generator in accordance with Section 25250.11 of the *California Health and Safety Code*.
- 6. Setbacks and landscaping requirements shall be those provided for the zoning district in which the facility is located.
- 7. All exterior storage of material shall be in sturdy containers or enclosures which are covered, secured, and maintained in good condition. Storage containers for flammable material shall be constructed of nonflammable material. Oil storage must be in containers approved by the City Fire Department and/or Riverside County Health Official. No storage, excluding truck trailers and overseas containers, will be visible above the height of the fencing.

- 8. Site shall be maintained free of litter and any other undesirable materials, and will be cleaned of loose debris on a daily basis and will be secured from unauthorized entry and removal of materials when attendants are not present.
- 9. Space shall be provided on-site for the anticipated peak load of customer to circulate, park and deposit recyclable materials. If the facility is open to the public, space will be provided for a minimum of 10 customers or the peak load, whichever is higher, except where the Director or his/her designee determined that allowing overflow traffic is compatible with surrounding businesses and public safety.
- 10. One parking space will be provided for each commercial vehicle operated by the processing center.