

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLACERVILLE  
AMENDING CHAPTER 7-1A OF TITLE 7 OF THE PLACERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE BY  
ADDING A DEFINITION OF "PROPERTY OWNER" TO CLARIFY RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
MANDATORY GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE (ZOA26-01)**

**WHEREAS**, on June 23, 2009, the City Council of the City of Placerville adopted Ordinance No. 1629 establishing mandatory garbage collection service within the City limits in order to provide lower rates for the majority of residents, reduce redundant vehicular traffic, improve air quality, provide uniform service, increase recycling participation, reduce illegal dumping, and generate additional franchise fees for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the mandatory garbage collection program has been codified in Chapter 7-1A of Title 7 of the Placerville Municipal Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the current language of Chapter 7-1A places primary responsibility for subscribing to mandatory garbage collection service on the property owner; and

**WHEREAS**, in certain circumstances, particularly with rental properties, businesses, and leased premises, tenants or lessees occupy and generate waste on properties without direct responsibility under the existing ordinance to subscribe to service, which hinders full compliance and enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, clarifying that tenants and lessees share responsibility for subscribing to mandatory service will assist the City and its franchise collection provider, El Dorado Disposal, in achieving greater compliance throughout the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's contract counsel has recommended adding a specific definition of "Property owner" limited to Chapter 7-1A as the most efficient means to accomplish this clarification without requiring multiple amendments throughout the chapter; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of the public hearing on this ordinance amendment has been provided by publication in a newspaper of general circulation on December 24, 2025, at least twenty (20) days prior to the hearing, in accordance with the City's standard procedures for amendments to the Municipal Code; and

**WHEREAS**, this amendment is administrative in nature, does not alter the fundamental requirements of the mandatory garbage collection program, and will have no environmental impact.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLACERVILLE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 7-1A of Title 7 of the Placerville Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 7-1A-2 (Definitions) to read as follows (or, if a definitions section already exists, by adding the following definition thereto):

**7-1A-2 DEFINITIONS**

Property owner. For purposes of this Chapter, "Property owner" means any property owner, tenant, or lessee.

**SECTION 2.** All other provisions of Chapter 7-1A of Title 7 of the Placerville Municipal Code shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its final passage, and the City Clerk shall cause it to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City within fifteen (15) days after its passage.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Placerville held on January 13, 2026, by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Regina O’Connell, CPMC, City Clerk