

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CLEARWATER

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05

AMENDING PART II, CHAPTER 117 – ZONING
ARTICLE I – *DEFINITIONS* and
ARTICLE V – *GENERAL BUILDING AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS*
OF THE CLEARWATER CITY CODE

THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, MINNESOTA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

City Code Section 117-1 – *Definitions* is hereby amended to add the following:

Portable Storage Unit: A storage unit or container designed, constructed or reconstructed to be capable of movement via towing, hauling, attachment to a vehicle from one site to another and designed to be used without a permanent foundation for the storage or shipment of household goods, wares, building materials or merchandise. Portable storage units shall include semi-trailers, cargo or shipping containers, and similar units which are used primarily for storage rather than transport.

Temporary Outdoor Storage Container: A portable storage unit that does not have a permanent foundation or footing and which includes cargo containers, portable storage containers, and bulk solid waste containers. Such structures shall not be considered a building. A temporary storage structure may include a self-storage container that is delivered to and retrieved from a home or business for long term off-site or on-site storage. Temporary outdoor storage containers shall be permitted for a maximum of one hundred and twenty (120) days.

City Code Section 117-1037 - *Outside storage/display* is hereby amended to add the following new section (e):

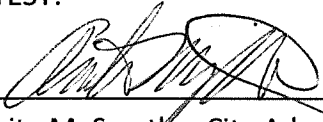
(e) Portable Storage Units.

1. Permitted locations and prohibitions.
 - a. Residential Districts.
 - i. Portable storage units may not be permanently placed, stored or used on any residential property. Units with alterations, such as cosmetic or structural changes made for the container to appear more like an accessory building or structure, are not allowed permanently on residential property.
 - ii. A portable storage unit may be temporarily placed, stored, or used for storage on residential properties for moving purposes for up to one month in a 12-month period.
 - iii. A portable storage unit may be temporarily placed, stored or used for storage on residential properties for construction or renovation purposes provided all required permits are obtained for the project, the project remains in compliance, and the portable storage unit is removed from

Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective October 13, 2025, following its passage and publication, which is hereby authorized by the City Council.

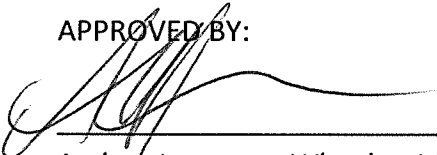
ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

ATTEST:



Annita M. Smythe, City Administrator

APPROVED BY:



Andrea Lawrence Wheeler, Mayor