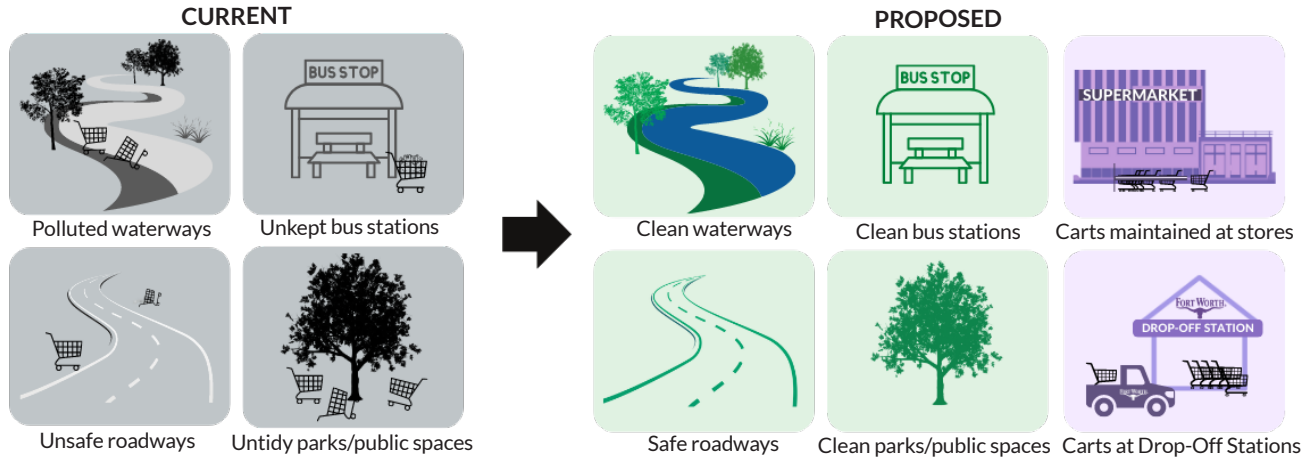


NEW Shopping Cart Ordinance

What is the purpose of the Shopping Cart Ordinance?

In response to requests from residents and City officials, this ordinance is developed to help create a clean, safe community and to support our businesses that provide shopping carts to their customers.

Our Shopping Cart Ordinance is developed with two main goals: **to support a clean and safe community, and to avoid impacting compliant businesses with regulations.**



The Code Compliance Department seeks to help address abandoned shopping carts and to promote community cleanliness and safety through this ordinance by:

- Collaborating with stakeholders which includes residents, businesses and City officials.
- Encouraging businesses to have identifiable markings on their shopping carts, in case they are removed from the business premises and abandoned.
- Allowing 24 hours for abandoned shopping carts to be removed from public spaces by business owners or their agents, once identified.
- Communicating with business owners to help them locate and retrieve their shopping carts easily.
- Allowing businesses the option to recover carts for a fee of \$50 per cart from a convenient City Drop-Off Station within a period of 30 calendar days.
- Creating a defense for businesses that have installed and maintained functional sensor-based wheel lock systems to control carts.
- A recovery fee shall not be assessed to any abandoned shopping cart that is collected and impounded, if the abandoned shopping cart has a functioning wheel-lock installed.



If a shopping cart is found abandoned along roadways, waterways, parks or other public spaces, it will be tagged by the City. The City will notify the business that they have 24 hours to pick it up.



After 24 hours, the abandoned shopping cart is picked up by the City and taken to a Drop-Off Station. The business may pay a fee and retrieve their shopping cart.



If more than 15 abandoned shopping carts are picked up within 6 months, a Shopping Cart Control Plan* may be required.



A citation may be issued, if the Shopping Cart Control Plan is not followed.

Use the MyFW app!



Scan to download the app to report abandoned shopping carts!

*A Shopping Cart Control Plan may consist of sensor-based wheel locks or additional cart corrals, etc. to address the business' needs.