

Bear Protection Ordinance (Ord. No. 7962) Update



**City Council
May 3, 2016**

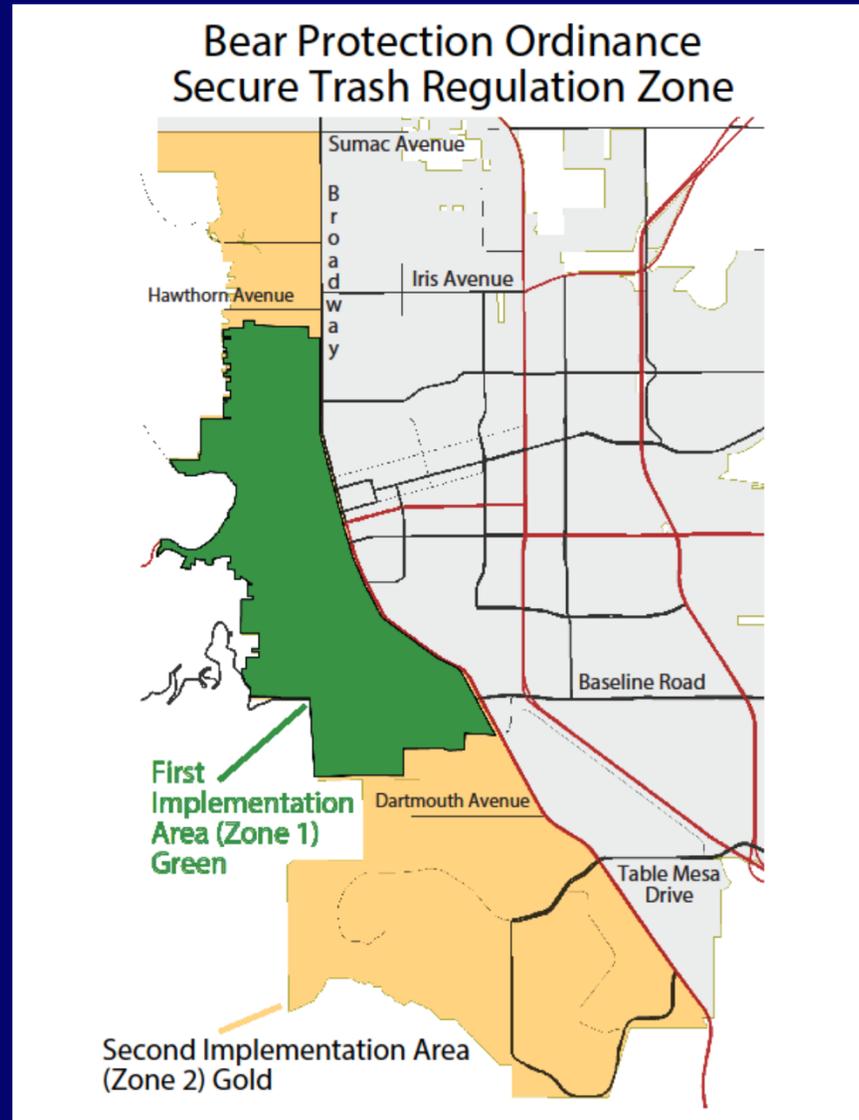
Purpose

Provide council with update on:

- **Status of phased approach**
- **Bear activity & waste cart monitoring**
- **Proposed study on urban bear activity**



Phased Ordinance Implementation



Lessons Learned (Phase I)

Information needs



LATCH YOUR CONTAINERS

All trash and compost carts, containers, dumpsters, or enclosures must be bear-resistant, remain latched at all times, and not overflow.

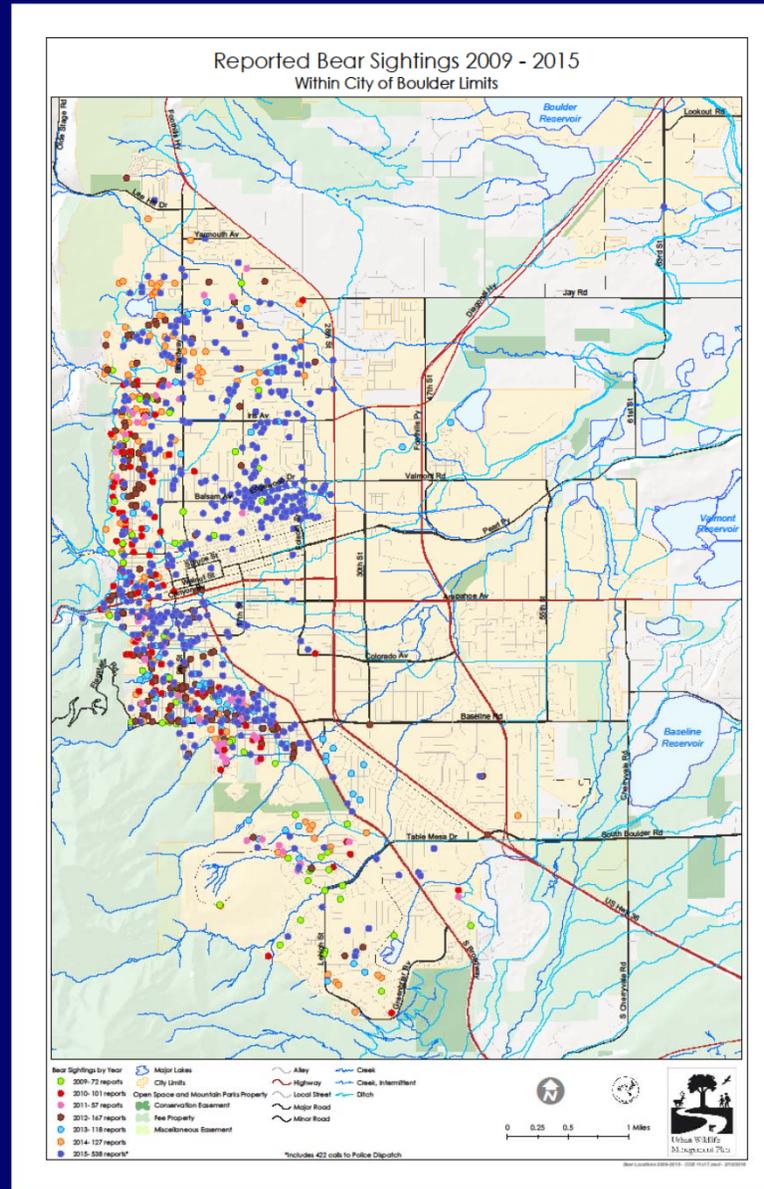
Officers are now enforcing these requirements.

Lessons Learned (Phase II)

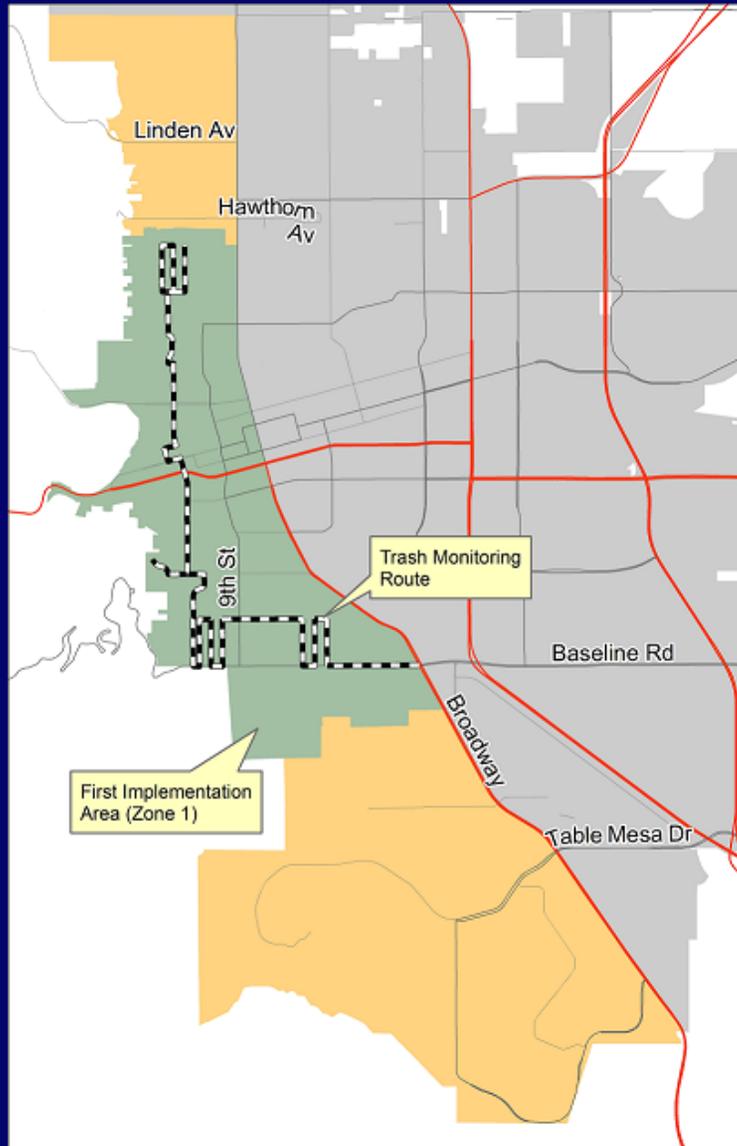
Container weight and usability



Urban Bear Activity



Waste Cart Monitoring



Exploring ways to better understand how bears use the urban area



Next Steps

Develop timeline for Phase III: Public Waste Containers

Bear-resistant in coordination with:

- Universal Zero Waste Ordinance
- Strategic assessment of waste container needs



Questions





GPS Collars





Table I. Number of observed trash violations* at 612 residences in the Bear Ordinance Secure Trash Regulation Zone during 12 monitoring days between Sept. 16, and Oct. 30, over the past four years.

Year	Total Trash Violations	Unique Addresses	Bear-Caused Violations (Trash Strewn)	Percent of Total Caused by Bears
2012	145	113	142	97.9%
2013	120	71	116	96.7%
2014	42	35	4	11.6%
2015	8	7	5	62.5%

*violations include B.R.C. 6-3-3, and B.R.C 6-3-5(a)(1) requiring trash to be stored in containers that are not overflowing, and their contents are not scattered by animals