

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE March 23, 2023

TO Honorable City Manager and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Litter Removal Team (LRT) Overview**

The Litter Removal Team (LRT) is a pilot program created by Code Compliance Services on January 23, 2023, and scheduled to operate through June 1, 2023. The LRT is a hand-crew that proactively finds and abates litter under bridges, along service roads, and other major thoroughfares five (5) days per week in all seven (7) code districts. The litter abated is often associated with homeless activity but also includes litter from panhandling, roadside trash, and illegal dumping.

The six (6) LRT crews are operating with four (4) rental trucks and two (2) City trucks. A rear-loader trash truck, and larger equipment when needed, also assists these efforts. The crews consist of eight (8) city staff and twelve (12) temporary staff members. The LRT performance measure is to complete a minimum of eight (8) right-of-way litter site abatements per day.

As of March 20, 2023, the LRT has completed 1,117 site abatements, removing approximately 310 tons of litter. The LRT continues its efforts to keep the City of Dallas litter free and has incurred a total cost of \$42,273 to date which is currently absorbed by Code Compliance.

To accommodate your schedule and reach your constituents, Code Compliance is available to present information on the program as needed. If interested, contact Manager Kate Lawler at 214-846-9335 to coordinate.

Please contact me at 217-671-9735 or carl.simpson@dallas.gov should you have any questions.



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