

6:39:54 p.m.

**R9 H** DISCUSSION REGARDING ILLEGAL DUMPING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND RELATED CITY FINES.

Commissioner Ricky Arriola

**ACTION:** Discussion held. Item referred to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee. **Eric Carpenter to place of the Committee Agenda. Hernan Cardeno to handle.**

**REFERRAL:**

Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee for Administration to develop recommendations regarding illegal dumping on private property and related City fines. **Eric Carpenter to place of the Committee Agenda. Hernan Cardeno to handle.**

Commissioner Arriola explained that the private property owners who are not the cause of the dumping either are fined for the dumping or must pay to get it removed. He asked what could be done to make it fair. He recommends asking staff to come back with some ideas. One suggestion is for the property owners to have video cameras on their property to show on video that it was not them who committed the dumping. Then the presumption would be no penalty and they do not have to pay for the removal; therefore, giving property owners the incentive to install the video camera.

Tom Curitore, Assistant Director Code Compliance, explained that in New York they raised the fines and installed a reward program. He suggested doing a public service announcement with enhanced illegal dumping literature, going to the Homeowner Associations and they can also invite the communities to do some cleanup with them.

Commissioner Arriola said that it is a great idea. He wants to direct staff to come up with more ideas so they can deliberate longer. He moved to refer this item to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee with a list of recommendations.