Managing Wooden Pallets Responsibly

Why It Matters

Improper disposal of wooden pallets can lead to:

- **Safety Risks:** Unstable or abandoned pallets pose fire hazards and obstruct public spaces.
- **Environmental Impacts:** Wood waste contributes to landfill overflow if not recycled properly.
- **Unauthorized Use:** Pallets left unsecured may be used in unsafe and unsanitary building projects on our city streets and parks, exacerbating public health and safety concerns.

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Storage

Prevent unauthorized access by storing pallets in a secure, fenced area inacessible to the public.

Recycle & Reuse

Local Recycling Centers: Many local waste management providers in Seattle accept wooden pallets for repurposing or wood chipping.

Pallet Reclamation Services: Some companies refurbish and resell pallets. Partner with a licensed pallet recycler to reduce waste.

Composting & Mulching: If untreated, wooden pallets can be chipped into mulch for landscaping or composting.

Secure Disposal

Waste Collection Services: Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) provides bulk waste pickup for businesses and residents.

Landfills & Transfer Stations: If recycling is not an option, dispose of pallets through an authorized waste facility. Avoid illegal dumping.

Destruction Prior to Disposal: Break down or saw pallets before disposal to prevent inappropriate repurposing.

Questions? Reach out to us at **info@sodoseattle.org** or 206-294-3285

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