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Various apartment buildings in the City suffer from chronic illegal dumping activity. In most cases, the illegal dumping is caused by apartment tenants or residents who live nearby. The materials they dispose includes sofas, chairs, mattresses and other household goods.

Illegal dumping tends to serve as a magnet for additional dumping of debris. The activity creates visual blight and impacts the quality of life of local communities.

Apartment owners and property managers can do more to combat illegal dumping. They can notify tenants of proper debris disposal and removal. In addition, they can be more proactive in calling their waste service providers to remove the debris before it impacts the health and welfare of the community.

To effectively pursue this approach, the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) should work with the apartment owners and property managers to inform them of proper disposal options. In addition, LASAN should consider the implementation of penalty and enforcement mechanisms to ensure compliance.

In this manner, there can be greater accountability in controlling illegal dumping and limiting its harmful effects on local communities.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) report to the Council in 45 days on the impact of illegal dumping activities at apartment buildings; and effective ways to mitigate illegal dumping at these locations, such as public outreach/information to apartment owners/property managers, use of temporary cameras, and the implementation of penalty and enforcement mechanisms.

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