

Public Order Ordinances

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Overview

- Completed nationwide survey of public order ordinances (July 12, 2004)
- Potential amendments presented to Council November 4, 2004
- Continued research and analysis
- Recommended Changes
- Next Steps

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Sitting or Lying Down on the Sidewalk



- Current Ordinance: Downtown only, prohibits a person from sitting or lying down in the ROW between the roadway & abutting building if it interferes with the passage of another person. Requires a warning and provides exceptions.
- **Recommendation:** Downtown only, expand to prohibit sleeping and eliminate the obstruction requirement related to sitting and lying down.

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Roadside Solicitation

- Current Ordinance: In a limited area, including private parking lots with signs, restricts solicitations between pedestrians & motor vehicle occupants. Applies to all solicitations on streets & on the adjacent sidewalk or ROW. Allows solicitation for employment in designated City facilities and a private parking area without signage.
- Recommendation: Eliminate the area restriction and apply ordinance city-wide. Eliminate regulation in privately owned parking lots.

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