

Chapter 9.12

OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE AND DECENCY

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9.12.010 Disorderly conduct.

Any person who intentionally causes serious public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm to any other person, or creates a risk thereof by:

- A. Engaging in fighting or in violent or threatening behavior;
- B. Making unreasonable noise;
- C. Disturbing any lawful assembly or meeting of persons without lawful authority; or
- D. Obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic;

is guilty of disorderly conduct. Any person convicted of a violation of this section and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. 378 § 1, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.020 Public indecency.

Any person commits the crime of public indecency if the person, with an immoral purpose, exposes his or her anus or genitals in a public place where

another may be present who will be offended or alarmed by the person's act. Any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. 378 § 2, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.030 Indecent exposure.

A person commits the crime of indecent exposure if, with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person, the person exposes his or her genitals in a public place under circumstances in which that person knows that person's conduct is likely to annoy, offend, or alarm another person. A violation of this section shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. 378 § 3, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.040 Prostitution.

Any person who is an inmate of a house of prostitution or otherwise engages in sexual activity for a fee or loiters in or within view of any public place for the purpose of being hired to engage in sexual activity is guilty of prostitution or any person who hires another person for a fee to engage in sexual activity, or enters or remains in a house of prostitution for the purposes of engaging in sexual activity shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. 378 § 4, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.050 Obscene materials.

No person shall knowingly

distribute, display or sell or exhibit for sale in any public place any magazine, book or newsprint displaying or containing obscene material on the cover thereof unless said magazine, book or newsprint is wrapped and sealed so that no more than the title, name, price or date thereof is exposed to the public and said magazine, book or newsprint cannot be viewed or examined without breaking the seal, wrapping or covering. Any person convicted of violating this section shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. 378 § 5, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.060 Consuming liquor on streets.

A. No person or group of persons shall, upon any of the streets, public premises or public ways of the city wherein there is situated any dwelling house, church, or public building park any vehicle and remain therein or loiter, congregate, or remain thereon for the purpose of consuming any alcoholic beverage whatsoever.

B. Penalty. Any person willfully violating any of the provisions of this section, or any section thereof or failing, refusing or neglecting to comply with the regulation or requirements of any section thereof shall upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and shall be liable to the city, or to any person or corporation suffering any injury from any violation thereof, in a civil action. (Ord. 374 §§ 1, 2, 2002) (Amended 2007)

9.12.070 Disorderly house.

It is unlawful for any person to frequent, be found in, keep, maintain, manage or run any disorderly house or structure by which the peace, comfort and decency of the community is annoyed or disturbed or in which unlawful acts are done or performed in said house or structure. The term “disorderly house or structure” means any structure or any room therein, or any premises adjacent thereto, in or upon which occurs any disorderly conduct as defined in Ordinance section 9.12.010 above or in this section 9.12.070.