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CHAPTER 521 Health, Safety and Sanitation

521.08 LITTERING AND DEPOSIT OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND JUNK.

(a) No person shall, without lawful authority, place, dispose of in any manner, or maintain, upon any public property or upon the private property of another, any paper, trash, garbage, waste, rubbish, refuse, junk or any substance or material which is or may become noxious, offensive, injurious or dangerous to the public health, comfort or safety. No person, without authority to do so, shall maintain upon property they own or lease, any paper, trash, garbage, waste, rubbish, refuse, junk or any substance or material which is or may become noxious, offensive, injurious or dangerous to the public health, comfort or safety thirty days after being notified by the Mayor, Service Director, Building Inspector or a Police Officer to remove said substance or material.

(b) No person, without privilege to do so, shall knowingly deposit litter, or cause it to be deposited, in a litter receptacle located on any public property or on any private property not owned by the person unless one of the following applies:

(1) The litter was generated or located on the property on which the litter receptacle is located;

(2) The person is directed to do so by a public official as part of a litter collection drive;

(3) The person is directed to do so by a person whom the person reasonably believes to have the privilege to use the litter receptacle;

(4) The litter consists of any of the following:

A. The contents of a litter bag or container of a type and size customarily carried and used in a motor vehicle;

B. The contents of an ash tray of a type customarily installed or carried and used in a motor vehicle;

C. Beverage containers and food sacks, wrappings, and containers of a type and in an amount that reasonably may be expected to be generated during routine commuting or business or recreational travel by a motor vehicle;

D. Beverage containers, food sacks, wrappings, containers, and other materials of a type and in an amount that reasonably may be expected to be generated during a routine day by a person and deposited in a litter receptacle by a casual passerby.

(c) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. A separate offense shall be deemed to have been committed on each day the junk, refuse or other noxious substance remains on the property after the initial charge is brought under this section.

(d) Any person, corporation or other entity providing information that leads to the arrest and conviction of any person for a violation of this section shall receive a reward from the City in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00); excluding any employee, officer or official of the City.

(e) As used in this ordinance "junk" means any personal property which is or may be salvaged for reuse, resale, reduction or similar disposition, or which is possessed, transported, owned, collected, accumulated, dismantled, or assorted for any of the aforesaid purposes. Without limiting the aforesaid definition, used furniture, used wearing apparel, used household appliances, used brick, used lumber, used tile, used plumbing fixtures, used electrical fixtures, used tools and used bicycles shall be included in the term "junk" as used in this ordinance. The term also includes used

or salvaged iron, brass, lead, copper and other base metal or metals, salvaged rope, bags, paper, rags, glass, rubber, tires and similar articles or property. The term also includes used motor vehicles which are used, owned or possessed for the purpose of wrecking or salvaging parts therefrom.

(Ord. 17-16. Passed 4-12-16.)

521.09 NOXIOUS OR OFFENSIVE ODORS.

(a) No person shall erect, continue, use or maintain a dwelling, building, structure or place for a residence or for the exercise of a trade, employment or business, or for the keeping or feeding of an animal which, by occasioning noxious exhalations or noisome or offensive smells, becomes injurious to the health, comfort or property of individuals or of the public.

(ORC 3767.13)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

521.10 NONSMOKING AREAS IN PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY. (REPEALED)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Former Section 521.10 was repealed by Ordinance 26-07, passed March 13, 2007.)

521.11 JUNK VEHICLES.

(a) As used in this section, "junk motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle which:

(1) Is extensively damaged, such damage including but not limited to any of the following: missing wheels, missing tires, missing motor, or missing transmission; or

(2) Is apparently inoperable; or

(3) That is left on private property for more than seventy-two hours with the permission of the person having the right of possession to the property in any of the foregoing or following conditions; or

(4) Is not able to be legally operated upon a public street, road or highway for any reason whether mechanical, operational or otherwise for a period in excess of seventy-two hours; or

(5) That does not have validly issued license plates and a valid registration which allow it to be operated legally upon public streets, roads or highways for a period in excess of seventy-two hours; and

that is left on private property for more than seventy-two hours with or without the permission of the person having the right to possession of the property unless the person is operating a junk yard or scrap metal processing facility licensed under authority of Ohio R.C. 4737.05 to 4737.12, or regulated under the authority of the Municipality; or if the property on which the motor vehicle is left is not subject to licensure or regulation by any governmental authority, unless the person having the right to possession of the property can establish that the motor vehicle is part of a bona fide commercial operation.

(Ord. 103-92. Passed 11-10-92.)

(b) The Building Inspector may send notice by certified mail with return receipt requested to the person having the right to the possession of the property on which a junk motor vehicle is left, that within five days of receipt of the notice the junk motor vehicle shall either be housed in a garage approved by the City, or other suitable structure approved by the City, or shall have removed from the property. (Ord. 73-01. Passed 12-4-01.)

(c) No person shall leave or cause to be left a junk motor vehicle on private property five days after receipt of the notice provided for in subsection (c) hereof. The fact that a junk motor vehicle is so left is prima-facie evidence of willful failure to comply with the notice, and each subsequent period of thirty days that a junk motor vehicle continues to be so left constitutes a separate offense. (Ord. 44-88. Passed 6-14-88.)

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree on a first offense and on each subsequent offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. (Ord. 74-01. Passed 12-4-01.)

521.12 SPITTING. (REPEALED)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Former Section 521.12 was repealed by Ordinance 57-22, passed October 11, 2022.)

521.13 TRANSPORTATION OF NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES.

(a) No person shall carry, or cause to be carried, in any vehicle of any kind, upon the public streets, highways and alleys of the City, any substance or material which by its nature or condition gives off noxious or offensive odors, fumes, smoke or gases.

(Ord. 3-74. Passed 1-8-74.)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

521.14 BURYING RUBBISH, BUILDING MATERIALS, ETC.

(a) No person shall bury rubbish, trash, garbage, building materials or other similar items within the City. (Ord. 57-73. Passed 6-26-73.)

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

521.15 NUMBERING OF RESIDENTIAL AND NONRESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

(a) All businesses, houses and dwellings situated within the corporate limits of the City shall be numbered in the manner as set forth in this section and according to the system prescribed in this section.

(b) The owner, agent, lessee, occupant or other person having control of and/or ownership of any business, house, dwelling, or building or other structure in the City upon a street to which street numbers have been assigned shall cause the proper Arabic numbers to be placed on and continuously maintained on the fanlight, transom, door, entrance, steps or gate, or conspicuous place on the front of such building, dwelling, house or other structure in such a manner that the number may at all times be legible and visible from the street pavement in front of such building, dwelling, house or other structure. If a building, dwelling, house or other structure stands back more than forty-five feet from the front lot line, the numbers shall be conspicuously displayed at or near the walk, driveway or common entrance to such building, dwelling, house or other structure at the streetline or on a gate post, fence, tree or post or other appropriate place so as to be legible and visible from the street pavement. Such requirement of conspicuous display of the numbers on such building, dwelling, house or other structure standing back more than forty-five feet from the front lot line shall not be interpreted or construed to mean that the numbers need not be placed on the building, dwelling, house or other structure as set forth hereinabove but shall require a second numbering as set forth herein. As used in this section, "front" means that side of the building, dwelling, house or other structure which faces the street on which the number of the building or premises on which such building, dwelling, house or other structure is situated, has been allotted, and that the numbers shall be displayed on such side of such building, dwelling, house or other structure and/or premises.

(c) No person, corporation or other entity without just cause shall remove, alter or deface any house number properly assigned and placed on or near a building, dwelling, house or other structure. Nor shall any person, corporation or entity without just cause place or retain on any building, dwelling, house or other structure any number other than the number duly assigned if such additional number could reasonably be mistaken for the assigned street number.

(d) All owners of any building, dwelling, business, house or other structure, office or tenement blocks of buildings, having two or more stories therein shall have numbers affixed to all rooms

above the first story and have permanently affixed and placed on the side or sides of the first entrance or stairway adjacent to any street, a complete directory of the businesses, firms, offices, tenants or lessees occupying the upper stories of such businesses, offices, or tenement blocks, or buildings. The directory shall be placed affixed in a conspicuous position and so arranged as to have the names or other designations thereon easily changed. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to single family residence dwellings.

(e) No person, corporation or entity shall fail to install or maintain the proper numbers and/or directories as required by this section. The numbers shall be Arabic, shall not be less than three inches in height and the color of numbers shall contrast with the color of the surface on which they are mounted, applied or appear and shall be visible and legible from the sidewalk and street. The owner, agent, lessee, occupant or other person having ownership and/or control of such building, dwelling, house or other structure, may post additional sets of address numbers provided that one set complies with the provisions of this section.

(f) Whoever violates or fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Any such violation or failure to comply with the terms of this section shall constitute a separate offense on each successive day such violation or failure to comply is continued. (Ord. 67-90. Passed 6-26-90.)

521.16 JUNK RECREATION VEHICLES; WATERCRAFT.

(a) As used in this section "junk recreational vehicles" means any recreational vehicle as defined by the Ohio Revised Code which is extensively damaged; inoperable, or apparently inoperable; and which is left on private property for more than thirty days with the permission of the person having the right to possession of the property unless that person is operating a junk yard or scrap metal processing facility licensed under authority of Ohio R.C. 4737.05 to 4737.12 or registered under the authority of the Municipality; or if the property on which the junk recreational vehicle is left is not subject to license or regulation by any governmental authority, unless the person having the right to possession of the property can establish that the recreational vehicle is part of a bona fide commercial operation.

(b) As used in this section "junk watercraft" means any watercraft as defined by the Ohio Revised Code which is extensively damaged; inoperable or apparently inoperable; and which is left on private property for more than thirty days with the permission of the person having the right to possession of the property unless that person is operating a junk yard or scrap metal processing facility licensed under authority of Ohio R.C. 4737.05 to 4737.12 or registered under the authority of the Municipality; or if the property on which the junk watercraft is left is not subject to license or regulation by any governmental authority, unless the person having the right to possession of the property can establish that the watercraft is part of a bona fide commercial operation.

(c) The Chief of Police may send notice by certified mail, with return receipt requested, to the person having the right to possession of the property on which a junk recreational vehicle and/or junk watercraft is left, that within five days of receipt of the notice the junk recreational vehicle and/or watercraft shall either be housed in a garage approved by the City, or other suitable structure approved by the City, or shall be removed from the property.

(d) No person shall leave or cause to be left a junk recreational vehicle and/or junk watercraft on private property five days after receipt of the notice provided for in subsection (c) hereof. The fact that a junk recreational vehicle and/or junk watercraft is so left is prima facie evidence of willful failure to comply with the notice and each subsequent period of thirty days that a junk recreational vehicle and/or junk watercraft continues to be so left constitutes a separate offense.

(e) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a

second offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

(Ord. 91-90. Passed 10-9-90.)

521.17 DISTURBING VEGETATION IN TREE LAWN. (REPEALED)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Former Section 521.17 was repealed by Ordinance 27-07, passed March 13, 2007.)

521.18 DUMPING OF REFUSE AND OTHER WASTE ALONG THE LAKE ERIE SHORELINE PROHIBITED.

No person shall dump or accumulate trash, rubbish, commercial or industrial waste, junk, refuse, garbage or building materials along the Lake Erie shoreline or bluff, unless the person has a valid permit from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources allowing the material to be placed in that location.

Whoever violates this provision is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(Ord. 30-04. Passed 7-13-04.)

521.19 SPREADING CONTAGION.

(a) No person, knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that the person has a dangerous, contagious disease, shall knowingly fail to take reasonable measures to prevent exposing self to other persons, except when seeking medical aid.

(b) No person, having charge or care of a person whom the person having charge or care knows or has reasonable cause to believe has a dangerous, contagious disease, shall recklessly fail to take reasonable measures to protect others from exposure to the contagion, and to inform health authorities of the existence of the contagion.

(c) No person, having charge of a public conveyance or place of public accommodation, amusement, resort or trade, and knowing or having reasonable cause to believe that persons using such conveyance or place have been or are being exposed to a dangerous, contagious disease, shall negligently fail to take reasonable measures to protect the public from exposure to the contagion, and to inform health authorities of the existence of the contagion.

(ORC 3701.81)

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

(ORC 3701.99(C))

521.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 501.99 for penalties applicable to any misdemeanor classification.)

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