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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12-30 OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF APPLETON, RELATING TO PUBLIC NUISANCES AFFECTING PEACE AND SAFETY.

(Municipal Services Committee – 11/20/2019)

The Common Council of the City of Appleton does ordain as follows:

Section 1: That Section 12-30 of Chapter 12 of the Municipal Code of the City of Appleton, relating to public nuisances affecting peace and safety, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12-30. Public nuisances affecting peace and safety.

The following acts, omissions, places, conditions and things are hereby declared to be public nuisances affecting peace and safety, but such enumeration shall not be construed to exclude other nuisances affecting public peace or safety coming within the provisions of §12-27.

- (1) All signs and billboards, awnings and other similar structures over or near streets, sidewalks, public grounds or places frequented by the public so situated or constructed as to endanger the public safety.
- (2) All buildings erected, repaired or altered within the fire limits of the city in violation of the provisions of the ordinances of the City relating to materials and manner of construction of buildings and structures within the district.
- (3) Any unauthorized sign, signal, marking or device placed or maintained upon or in view of any public highway or railway crossing which purport to be or may be mistaken as an official traffic control device, railroad sign or signal or which because of its color, location, brilliance or manner of operation interferes with the effectiveness of any such device, sign or signal.
- (4) All trees, hedges, billboards or other obstructions which prevent persons driving vehicles on public streets, alleys or highways from obtaining a clear view of traffic when approaching an intersection or pedestrian crosswalk.
- (5) All limbs of trees, hedges, bushes or plantings which project over and less than fourteen (14) feet above any public street, or over and less than ten (10) feet above any public sidewalk, or other public place.

- (6) All trees which are a menace to public safety or are the cause of substantial annoyance to the general public.
- (7) All use or display of fireworks except as provided by the laws of the State and ordinances of the City.
- (8) All buildings or structures so old, dilapidated or out of repair as to be dangerous, unsafe, unsanitary or otherwise unfit for human use.
- (9) All wires over streets, alleys or public grounds which are strung less than fifteen (15) feet above the surface thereof.
- (10) The keeping or harboring of any animal or fowl which by frequent or habitual howling, yelping, barking, crowing or making of other noises greatly annoys or disturbs a neighborhood or any considerable number of persons within the city.
- (11) All obstructions of streets, alleys, sidewalks or crosswalks and all excavations in or under streets, alleys, sidewalks or crosswalks, except as permitted by the ordinances of the City, or obstructions which, although made in accordance with such ordinances, are kept or maintained for an unreasonable or illegal length of time after the purpose thereof has been accomplished or which do not conform to the permit.
- (12) All open and unguarded pits, wells, excavations or unused basements freely accessible from any public street, alley or sidewalk.
- (13) Any unauthorized or unlawful use of property abutting on a public street, alley or sidewalk, or use of a public street, alley or sidewalk which causes large crowds of people to gather, obstructing traffic and free use of the streets or sidewalks.
- (14) Repeated or continuous violations of the ordinances of the City or laws of the State relating to the storage of flammable liquids.
- (15) All snow and ice not removed or sprinkled with a material which accelerates melting or prevents slipping as provided in §16-10.
- (16) All junked, disassembled, inoperable or wrecked motor vehicles, or parts thereof, which have been allowed to remain outside of any building upon public or private property for a period in excess of three (3) days, unless in connection with an automotive sales or repair business located in a properly zoned area.
- (17) Any construction debris or materials, unsightly debris, trash, wood, brick, washing machines, refrigerators or junk such as may tend to depreciate property values or be detrimental to the appearance, neatness and cleanliness of the neighborhood, provided that nothing in this subsection shall prohibit reasonable

storage of construction materials during the construction of any building or structure.

- (18) All motor vehicles allowed to remain outside of a building on private or public land which are not currently licensed or operable.
- (19) All leaves and other yard waste debris blocking the safe passage of any sidewalk.

Section 2: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

Dated: December 4, 2019