



Aggressive Solicitation

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New proposed ordinance; Aggressive Solicitation; prohibited acts; violations

Section 26-74 - It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit money or other items of value, or to solicit the sale of goods or services.

- (a) In an aggressive manner in any public area;
- (b) In any public transportation vehicle, or bus station or stop;
- (c) Within fifteen (15) feet of any entrance or exit of any financial institution or check cashing business or within fifteen (15) feet of any automated teller machine or check cashing business without the consent of the owner or other person legally in possession of such facilities. Provided, however, that when an automated teller machine is located within an automated teller machine facility, such distance shall be measured from the entrance, exit or outside boundary of the automated teller machine facility;
- (d) On private property if the owner, tenant or lawful occupant has asked the person not to solicit on the property, or has posted a sign clearly indicating that solicitations are not welcome on the property; or



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26-74 continued;

e. From any operator of a motor vehicle that is in traffic on a public street or stopped for a traffic control device or stop sign on a public street, regardless of whether in exchange for cleaning the vehicle's windows, or for blocking, occupying, or reserving a public parking space, or directing the occupant to a public parking space or even if no services are received in exchange for responding to the solicitation; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to services rendered in connection with emergency repairs requested by the operator or passenger of such vehicle.

Any violation of this section is a civil violation for a first offense and a Class 1 misdemeanor for any subsequent offense(s) in a twelve (12) month period.



Pedestrians in the Roadway

Section 24-161 – Pedestrians stopping or crossing in roadway

a) No pedestrian shall cross a roadway other than in a crosswalk in any business district.

ADD (b) and (c)

- b) No pedestrian may stop or remain in the portion of the roadway designed for vehicular use or in any painted or raised traffic island or median not designated for use by pedestrians except to wait to cross the roadway at the next pedestrian signal, when traffic has stopped, cleared or yielded.
- c) Before any pedestrian is cited for a civil violation of this section, the pedestrian must be given a warning by an enforcement officer of the City. The first violation of this section after a warning is given is a civil traffic offense and a second or any subsequent violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.



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