

# ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY ORDINANCES FOR CHAPTER 18 FOR OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

## Chapter 18 - OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

### ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Sec. 18-1. - Failure to leave premises.

(d) Penalty. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who violates Sec. 18-1 shall be guilty of ~~A violation of subsection (b) and (c) by any person subjects the offender to a fine of up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and any other punishment authorized by law for a class 3 misdemeanor~~ with a maximum fine of \$50.00.

~~Sec. 18-2. - Injuring, defacing, etc., city owned property.~~

~~It shall be unlawful, wilfully or negligently to injure, deface, mutilate, destroy, tamper or interfere with any city owned property or any property used in the city's water, sewer, police or fire alarm system.~~

~~Sec. 18-2.5. - Assaulting, injuring, taunting law enforcement agency animal.~~

~~It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully and intentionally taunt, threaten, strike or otherwise physically assault or injure, any animal maintained by any municipal, county or state law enforcement agency for use in the performance of the function or duties of such agency.~~

Sec. 18-4. - Minibikes and motorcycles on vacant property.

It shall be unlawful for any person to ride, drive, or otherwise negotiate a minibike, motorcycle, motorized trail bike, or other self-propelled vehicle, not including automobiles and trucks, on unpaved rights-of-way, except in those cases when the paved area is blocked to the movement of traffic, vacant lots and vacant areas, except when the owners thereof give specific permission for such use and those areas of parks owned by the city not designated as a street or trail for self-propelled vehicular use. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who violates Sec. 18-4 shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor with a maximum fine of \$50.00.

### Article II.- Offenses Against Public Safety

Sec. 18-21. - Discharging firearms.

(a) ~~It shall be unlawful to fire any pistol, gun or other firearm within the city.~~ Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who fires any pistol, gun or other firearm within the city shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100.00.

Sec. 18-23 Police emergency lines.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person other than a law enforcement officer, firefighter, or other person having official business at the scene, to cross a duly established police emergency line without express permission of a police officer at the scene. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who violates Sec. 18-23 shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100.00.

Sec. 18-24.- Concealed handguns prohibited.

~~(d) *Penalty.* A violation of this section is punishable as provided by N.C.G.S. § 14-415.21. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who violates Sec. 18-24 shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100.00.~~

Sec. 18-25.- Deadly weapons prohibited

~~(c) *Penalty.* Violation of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable by thirty (30) days imprisonment or a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) as determined by the court. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4 any person who violates Sec. 18-25 shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100.00.~~

Sec.18-44 Blocking or impeding street and sidewalk access

(j) Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. A violation of this section shall be a class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00).

Sec. 18-45.- Urinating or defecating in public.

(b) *Penalty.* Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4, a violation of this section shall be a class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollar (\$50.00).

Sec. 18-46.1. - Solicitation and distribution of items in public parking garages and public parking lots prohibited.

(i) *Penalty.* Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4, a ~~A~~ violation of this section shall be a class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00).

Sec. 18-46.2.- Harrassment in public spaces prohibited.

(d) *Penalty.* Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. 14-4, a ~~A~~ violation of this section shall be a class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00).

This ordinance should become effective upon adoption.