

730.04 LOITERING; OBSTRUCTING PUBLIC PLACES

A. No person shall loiter in a public place, as hereinafter defined, in such manner as to obstruct any public street, public sidewalk, public bridge, or other public place or public building by hindering or impeding or tending to hinder or impede the free and uninterrupted passage of vehicles or pedestrians.

B. No person shall commit in or upon any public street, public sidewalk, public bridge, or other public place or public building any act which obstructs or interferes with the free and uninterrupted use of property or the lawful conducting of any business by anyone in or upon or facing or fronting on any such public street, public sidewalk, public bridge, or other public place or public building, in such manner as to hinder or impede or tend to hinder or impede the free and uninterrupted ingress and egress thereto. C. Definitions, for purposes of this Section, are as follows:

1. Loitering means remaining idle in essentially one location or lingering or standing around without purpose either alone or in consort with others.

2. Public Place means any place to which the public has access and includes any public street or public sidewalk, as well as the front of and the area immediately adjacent to any parking lot, store, restaurant, tavern or other place of business. D. When any person causes or commits any of the conditions enumerated in subsections A or B hereof, a law enforcement officer for the City shall order that person to stop causing or committing such condition. If any person receiving any such order from a law enforcement officer fails or refuses to obey the same, that person shall be guilty of a violation of this Section and shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in Section 703.99 (12243 §1 4/6/77)