

# **CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 70 (OFFENSES AND MISC. PROVISIONS) CAMPING**

City Council Regular Meeting  
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## PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

### **Chapter 70. Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions**

Cleanliness

Minors

Smoking

Noise

Parking Prohibitions

Camping

# POTENTIAL ORDINANCE CHANGE

## Camping

- Clarifies that camping is not just prohibited in park areas, but any publicly accessible outdoor area;
- Expands definition of “camping” to include staying/sleeping in vehicle overnight (between the hours of 7:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.);
- Only exception is for camping on own property; and
- Makes it an offense for a property owner to knowingly allow someone to camp on their property in violation of the code.

### What does this mean:

You can camp in designated camping areas in parks (Erwin Park)

You cannot sleep/stay in a vehicle overnight on a public ROW or city-owned parking lot

You can camp on your own private property

You cannot allow others to camp on a public area of your property

## DISCUSSION