

11-10. - Disturbing the peace prohibited.

No person shall disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of any neighborhood by creating therein any disturbing or unreasonably loud noise.

11-10.1 *Disturbing noises designated.*

- A. It is the intent of this chapter to prohibit all noises that are disturbing or unreasonably loud. The types of noises set out in subsection B. shall not be deemed or construed as in any way exclusive, but merely illustrative.
- B. The following types of noises are declared to be disturbing to the peace, quiet and comfort of the neighborhood in which they are heard, and persons creating such noises are in violation of section 11-10:
1. Operating any vehicle at such a speed on a curve or turn, or accelerating or decelerating such vehicle in such a manner as to create loud and unnecessary noise through the squealing of tires upon the pavement, or to cause damage to the roadway;
 2. The sounding of any horn, signal or noise device on any automobile, motorcycle, bus, truck or other vehicle, in any other manner or for any other purpose than allowed by the Arizona Vehicle Code or other laws of the State;
 3. The noise from an exhaust system of any vehicle that is not equipped or constructed so as to prevent any disturbing or unreasonably loud noise;
 4. The revving of the engine of any motor vehicle while such vehicle is not in motion, except when done in the course of repairing, adjusting or testing it during reasonable hours;
 5. Keeping, harboring or having custody within the City any dog which barks, howls or makes noises by day or night which disturbs the peace and quiet of any person or family in the neighborhood;
 6. For any person who sells food and drink, at or adjacent to any conveyance, to ring bells, play chimes or an amplified musical system or to make other noise in any residential area of the City for advertising purposes between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., and no such noise shall be made when the vehicle is parked;
 - a. For the purposes of this section, an "amplified musical system" is defined as mechanical or electrical musical instrument, or music producing device, equipped with an electrical amplifier or loudspeaker.
 - b. No bells, chimes, or amplified musical system, as defined herein shall make noise or music which disturbs the peace or quiet of any neighborhood or which causes discomfort or annoyance to any reasonable person of normal sensitiveness residing or working in the area.
 7. Disturbing or unreasonably loud shouting or crying of peddlers, hawkers, vendors or newspaper carriers;
 8. The playing or operating of any radio, phonograph, orchestra or other musical device or instrument in a manner that is disturbing or unreasonably loud to a reasonable person outside the facility or unit from which the noise emanates; and
 9. Disturbing or unreasonably loud shouting, screaming, wailing or other vocalization that is disturbing or unreasonably loud to a reasonable person outside the facility or unit from which the noise emanates.

C. Nothing herein shall be construed so as to prohibit noises produced by emergency vehicles, operations or procedures of any kind or at any time, or to prohibit noise produced in the normal conduct of business or commerce, provided that such noise production occurs within the normal and customary hours for the conduct of such business or commerce and the operation is being legally conducted within the scope of all ordinances, laws and statutes of the City of Chandler, Maricopa County and the State of Arizona.

11-10.2 Construction Noise.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to perform any construction work in the City, except within the time periods specified herein. As used in this section, "construction work" shall include (1) operating construction-related equipment; (2) performing outside construction work; (3) performing outside repair work on buildings, structures or projects; (4) operating a pile driver, power shovel, pneumatic hammer, derrick, power hoist or other construction-type device; (5) idling or operation of concrete mixing trucks; and (6) pouring concrete.

B. Construction work occurring within five hundred (500) feet of a residential property may not begin prior to 5:00 a.m. and may not continue beyond 10:00 p.m. on weekdays. Notwithstanding the foregoing, construction work occurring within five hundred (500) of a residential property shall not begin prior to 7:00 a.m. and must stop by 7:00 p.m. on any Saturday, Sunday or holiday. For the purposes of this section, a "residential property" is defined as a lot, parcel or tract of land containing one (1) or more dwelling units, and distance is measured from lot lines with any intervening public right-of-way being included in the measurement.

C. Notwithstanding the foregoing, performing of construction work in a public place or right-of-way located within five hundred (500) feet of a residential property may begin prior to 5:00 a.m. and may continue beyond 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and prior to 7:00 a.m. and beyond 7:00 p.m. on any Saturday, Sunday or holiday, provided that an encroachment permit allowing such an extended time period is obtained. Said encroachment permit shall be kept on the work site and shown to City officials on request. For the purposes of this section, a "public place" is defined as any real property owned, maintained or controlled by the City.

D. Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit emergency construction work that is necessary to provide essential services such as water, sewer, electricity, data/communications, or gas to any property or to remedy an immediate threat to the public safety or the safety of the inhabitants of any given property.

E. The Director of the Transportation and Development Department may revoke any encroachment permit granted hereunder upon complaint based upon substantial evidence that the construction activity caused unreasonable disturbance in the vicinity of the work site. To deny or revoke a permit, the Director of the Transportation and Development Department shall deliver or mail by certified mail to the business address shown on the permit application, a written notice that said permit is revoked and which lists the grounds therefore, and which may order the immediate stoppage of the work being performed under the permit pending any hearing on the revocation. A revoked permit shall be surrendered to the Director of the Transportation and Development Department on demand.

1. The permittee may request an informal hearing on such revocation by submitting a written request within ten (10) days after the notice of revocation is given and shall set forth specifically the grounds for the hearing. If a hearing is not requested within ten (10) days of the date of notice, the revocation shall take effect on the eleventh day after the date of the notice. If a hearing is requested, no revocation shall take effect until after the hearing and date of notice of the final decision of the Director of the Transportation and Development Department. An appeal to the City Manager of the

decision of the Director of the Transportation and Development Department may not be made prior to the date of notice of the final decision of the Director of the Transportation and Development Department.

2. The permittee may appeal the final decision of the Director of the Transportation and Development Department within ten (10) days of the date of notice of such decision by submitting to the City Clerk a written notice of the permittee's intention to appeal to the City Manager. A timely appeal shall result in a stay of any decision of the Director, except that a work stoppage order may remain in effect. The appeal will be heard in accordance with the provisions set forth in Chapter 1 of this Code. Failure to appeal in writing within the prescribed time constitutes a waiver of the right to appeal. The decision of the City Manager shall be final.

11-10.3. Disruptive parties.

A. Prohibition of parties that disturb the peace. No person shall knowingly congregate because of, or participate in, any party or gathering of two (2) or more people from which noise emanates of sufficient volume or of such nature to reasonably disturb the peace, quiet, or repose of other persons.

B. Authority to disperse noisy party. A Police Officer may order all persons present other than the owners or tenants of the building or place to immediately disperse. It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse to leave after being ordered to do so by a Police Officer.

C. Owner or other tenant responsibility in abatement of disturbance. It shall be unlawful for any owner or tenant of the building or place who has knowledge of the disturbance to fail or refuse to immediately abate said disturbance.

11-10.4 Penalties for disturbing the peace.

Any person who violates a provision of Section 11-10, including any subsection thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to the penalties provided in Chapter 1 of this Code.

(Ord. No. 4153, § 1, 1-28-10; Ord. No. 4317, § 1, 8-15-11; Ord. No. 4365, § 4, 6-14-12)