

Chapter 9.12

CURFEWS

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Section 9.12.010 Violation of curfew by minors prohibited.

Minors for the use of this section shall exclude those minors who are emancipated as described in the Government Code. It is unlawful for any persons under the age of eighteen years to be, remain, loiter or stroll in, upon or about the streets, sidewalks, public parks or other public places within the city at nighttime after the hour of ten p.m., unless such minor is accompanied by a parent, guardian or other adult person having the control and custody of such minor, or is in the performance of an errand or duty directed by such parent or guardian, or is engaged in an employment which makes it necessary for such minor to be in or upon the streets, sidewalks, or public places within the city during the nighttime after such specified hours. (Ord. 87-5 § 1: Ord. 23 § 1, 1950: prior code § 10900)

Section 9.12.020 Permitting minors to violate curfew prohibited.

It is unlawful for any parent, guardian or other person having the care, custody and control of any person under the age of eighteen years to allow or permit such minor to go upon or be upon any street, sidewalk, or any public park, or any other public place within the city unaccompanied by a parent, guardian or other adult person having the custody and control of such minor, during the nighttime after the hour of ten p.m. unless there exists a reasonable necessity thereof. (Ord. 87-5 § 2: Ord. 23 § 2, 1950: prior code § 10901)

Section 9.12.025 City parks curfew.

A. Except as otherwise provided by this section, all city parks shall close at ten pm and

reopen at six am. This curfew is established for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the community, and also to provide adequate time for the maintenance of city park facilities. Violators of the city park curfew will be instructed to leave. Persons refusing to leave the park after being instructed to do so will be subject to arrest or citation.

B. From time to time, the City Council may issue a permit waiving the curfew imposed by this section for overnight youth or adult groups. Any such permit issued by the City Council shall be on file in the police department for the duration of the event.

C. The City Council may, by resolution, establish that an individual city park shall close at dusk, instead of ten pm. In the event that such earlier close time is established by the City Council, the Department of Parks and Recreation shall immediately post signs at the affected city park clearly stating that the park shall close at dusk. (Ord. 2009-15, Amended, 11/09/2009; Ord. 87-5 § 3)

Section 9.12.030 Violation.

Violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be a misdemeanor, punishable pursuant to section 21.01.050. (Ord. 2006-07, Amended, 06/06/2006; Ord. 92-04 § 21: Ord. 87-5 § 4: Ord. 23 § 3, 1950)