

CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-07-05

Amending Article 5.02 Peddlers and Solicitors of the Code of Ordinances

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS,
ADOPTING RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO
AMENDING ARTICLE 5.02 "PEDDLERS AND SOLICIATORS";
PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE;
PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, REPEALER AND SAVINGS
CLAUSES; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE
MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED TO BE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lavon ("City Council") has investigated and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Lavon, Texas ("Lavon") to amend Lavon's Code of Ordinances in Chapter 5.02 to amend regulations related to Peddlers and Solicitors; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority under state law to adopt the regulations herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds that the statements set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are true and correct, and the City Council hereby incorporates such recitals as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS; NEW SECTION 5.02.002

That Division 1, "Generally," of Article 5.02 "Peddlers and Solicitors" of Lavon's Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding a new Section 5.02.002, "Time Restrictions," to read as follows:

"Section 5.02.002 Time Restrictions.

"(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, with or without a permit, to peddle, hawk, sell, solicit or take orders for, or offer to take orders for, any services, wares, merchandise, vehicles or goods on the streets and sidewalks, or from door to door at a residence, within the city, before 8:30 am (0830 military time), or after dark or 9:00 pm (2100 military time), whichever is earlier on a given day.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, with or without a permit, to attempt to peddle, hawk, sell, solicit or take orders for, or offer to take orders for, any services, wares, merchandise, vehicles or goods on the streets and sidewalks, or from door to door at a residence, within the city, before 8:30 am (0830 military time), or after dark or 9:00 pm (2100 military time), whichever is earlier on a given day.

(c) In this section 5.02.002, "dark" means the time of day identified by the United States Naval Observatory as being after the end of civil twilight on a particular day in the city."

SECTION 3. AMENDMENTS; NEW SECTION 5.02.035

That Division 2, "Permit," of Article 5.02 "Peddlers and Solicitors" of Lavon's Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding a new Section 5.02.035, "Minors," to read as follows the following:

"Section 5.02.035 Minors.

(a) A minor who conducts activity requiring a permit under this article shall be sponsored or employed by a person over the age of 18, a corporation, firm or organization. The person, corporation, firm or organization that is sponsoring or employing the minor is responsible for controlling the conduct of the minor and the minors shall be under the constant supervisor of a person 18 years of age or older.

(b) The sponsor or employer of a minor under this section shall provide with the application required by Section 5.02.032 the name(s), date(s) of birth, address(es), and a notarized parent or guardian consent for each minor who will be conducting the activity. The consent form shall acknowledge the release of the information set forth above."

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication as may be required by governing law.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be enforced as written.

SECTION 6. REPEALER AND SAVINGS

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinance of Lavon and shall not repeal any of the provisions of such ordinances except in those instances where provisions of those ordinances are in direct conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance; whether such ordinances are codified or uncoded, and all other provisions of the ordinances of Lavon, codified or uncoded, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect. Any repeal occurring due to this provision shall not abate any pending prosecution or lawsuit and/or prevent any prosecution or lawsuit from being commenced for any violation occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. PENALTY

Any person, firm, corporation, or entity violating this Ordinance, as it exists or may be amended, shall be subject to the penalty provision described in added Section 1.01.009(a), providing punishment by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Nothing in this Ordinance shall limit the remedies available to the City in seeking to enforce the provisions of this article or other law, and all remedies shall be cumulative and not exclusive.

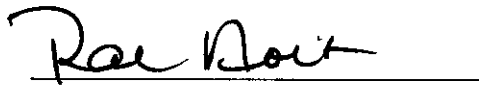
SECTION 8. OPEN MEETING

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Section 551.042, Texas Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas this 7th day of July 2026.


Vicki Sanson Mayor

ATTEST:


Rae Norton, City Secretary

