

ORDINANCE NO. 1

AN ORDINANCE defining who are disorderly persons and providing for their punishment.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Gig Harbor:

Section 1. That the following persons are hereby declared to be disorderly persons:

Any person found intoxicated in any public place in the Town of Gig Harbor.

Any person fighting or quarreling or encouraging others to fight in any public place in the Town of Gig Harbor.

Any person who shall, without permission of the owner or person entitled to the possession thereof, intentionally take or drive away any motor vehicle, and every person with knowledge of the fact that such vehicle has been so taken, who shall voluntarily ride in or on the same.

Any person who shall resist or interfere with any policeman or peace officer of said Town, or who shall refuse, when called upon, to assist him in the discharge of his duty, or who shall aid or assist any person in the custody of any policeman or peace officer to escape from such custody.

Any person who shall by noisy, riotous or tumultuous conduct disturb the quiet or peace of said Town, or of any meeting or assemblage therein.

Any person who shall use, in the presence of any other person, vulgar, profane, obscene or indecent language, or who shall conduct himself or herself in an indecent manner.

Any male person who shall wilfully annoy, bother, molest, insult or offer an affront to any female person.

Any person found wandering or loitering around the streets or public places of said Town, having no visible business or calling.

Any person found wandering or loitering around the streets or public places of said Town at late or unusual hours of the night without being able to give a good account of himself.

Any person having no visible means of support who does not seek employment, or work when employment is offered to him.

Any person under the age of twenty-one years found in a tavern or playing pool or billiards in any public pool or billiard hall in the Town of Gig Harbor.

Any person who practices phrenology, hypnotism, mesmerism, fortune telling, palmistry, clairvoyance, character reading or analysis, or who claims or pretends to foretell future events by astrology.

Any person who shall obstruct any sidewalk, street, highway or alley in said Town of Gig Harbor in any manner.

Any person who shall wilfully break, impair, injure or deface any building, fence, awning, window, sign, signboard, tree, shrub, or any other thing of value, being the property of another.

Any person who, for the purpose of annoyance or mischief, shall place in any doorway or on any sidewalk, street or alley in said Town, any box, barrel, cask or other thing, or who shall remove, interier with, carry away or destroy the property of another, or who shall tear down, destroy or mutilate any notice or hand bill lawfully posted up in said Town.

Any person in said Town except police officers and other persons who are authorized by law or have obtained proper authority so to do, who shall carry or wear in any manner concealed upon his or her person, any dirk, dagger, stiletto, bowie knife, sword-cane, gun, pistol, revolver, sling-shot, metal knuckles, or any other dangerous weapon or instrument which may be used to inflict injury upon the person of another, unless such person has a permit to do so from the Town Marshall approved by the Town Council of the Town of Gig Harbor.

Any person, except the police officers of said Town engaged in the lawful discharge of their duty, and persons practicing at target shooting in a duly licensed shooting gallery, or range, who shall fire off or discharge any bomb, gun, pistol or firearm of any kind within the Town limits.

Any person who shall wilfully use force or violence on the person of another.

Any person who shall place any object not securely fastened upon any window sill or other outside portion of a building in such a position as to be above or near to a street or sidewalk, or who shall permit any such object to remain in such position upon any such building or part of building of which he shall be in possession.

Any person who, with intent to deprive or defraud the owner thereof, shall take, steal or carry away the property of another, the same being of the value of twenty-five dollars or less.

Any person who shall solicit alms in said Town.

Any person who shall practice or solicit prostitution, or keep a house of prostitution.

Any person in said Town who shall cohabit with another, not the husband or wife of such person, and any person who shall be guilty of open or gross lewdness or who shall make any open and indecent or obscene exposure of his or her person or the person of another.

Any male person in said Town who shall live in whole or in part upon the earnings of a common prostitute.

Any person who lives, works, or who is found in a house of prostitution, or who associates with or solicits for any prostitute or house of prostitution.

Any person in said Town who is found associating with drunken men in such manner as to create a reasonable suspicion that his or her purpose is theft or robbery.

Any person or persons in said Town engaged in buncoing or in the operation of a swindling game or device for the purpose of swindling or defrauding others.

Any person or persons who shall cause to be performed or exhibited, or who shall engage in the performance or exhibition of an obscene, indecent, or immoral show, act or performance in said Town.

Any person who shall open, conduct, or maintain, as owner or employee, any place in said Town where opium, morphine, alkaloid, cocaine, or alpha or beta eucaine, or any derivative, mixture or preparation of any of them, shall be in any manner used by persons resorting thereto for the purpose; and every person who shall visit or resort to such place for the purpose of using in any manner any of said drugs.

Any person who is an habitual user of opium, morphine, alkaloid, cocaine, or alpha or beta eucaine, or any derivation, mixture or preparation of any of them.

Any person who shall go from place to place or from house to house within the Town of Gig Harbor for the purpose of selling or offering for sale merchandise, without first having obtained a peddler's license.

Section 2. Any person upon conviction of being a disorderly person as provided herein shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed Three hundred (\$300.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in the Town Jail or County jail, for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

Section 3. That this ordinance is necessary for the public safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Gig Harbor, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed August 8, 1946.

Harold K. Ryan  
Mayor

Attest: Marie Gustafson  
Town Clerk