

**CITY OF MUNDAY, TEXAS
ORDINANCE #10102005**

**ORDINANCE REGARDING BEGGING, SOLICITATION OR
VEHICLE INTERFERENCE**

DEFINITION:

- (1) **AGGRESSIVELY BEG:** defined as begging which intimidates another person into giving money or goods.
- (2) **BEG:** means to ask for money or goods as a charity, whether by words, bodily gestures, signs, telephone or other means.
- (3) **INTIMIDATE:** means to intentionally say or do something, or to say or do something that a reasonable person should know would cause a person of ordinary sensibilities to be fearful of bodily harm. For the purposes of this ordinance, it is not necessary to prove that the victim was actually frightened and neither is it necessary to prove that the behavior of the person was so violent that it was likely to cause terror, panic or hysteria.
- (4) **OBSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC OR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC:** means to walk, stand, sit, lie or place an object in such a manner as to block passage by another person or vehicle or to require another person or a driver of a vehicle to take evasive action to avoid physical contact. Acts authorized pursuant to the Cities vendor and parade ordinances and regulations are exempt from the coverage of this ordinance.
- (5) **PANHANDLE:** means to ask for money or goods as a charity, whether by words, bodily gestures, signs or other means in a public place.
- (6) **PUBLIC PLACE:** means an area generally visible to public view and includes alleys, bridges, buildings, driveways, parking lots, parks, plazas, sidewalks and streets open to the general public, including those that serve food or drink or provide entertainment, and the doorways and entrances to buildings or dwellings and the grounds enclosing them.

PROVISIONS:

- (1) IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL for any person to beg within the city limits of the City of Munday.

- (2) IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL for any person to stand, sit or loiter in the right-of-way of any street, with the intent to approach any motor vehicle for the purpose of soliciting employment, business or contribution from the driver or occupant of the motor vehicle.
- (3) IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL for any person to aggressively beg or intentionally obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic in a *public place*.

PENALTY:

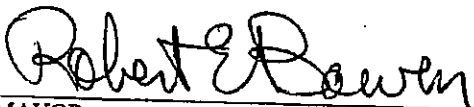
Begging, panhandling, pedestrian interference or vehicular interference in any form is a misdemeanor, which may be punished by a fine of not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00).

ALL ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

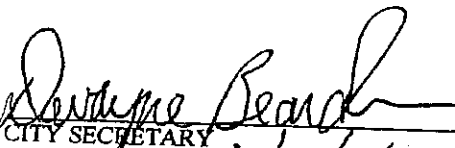
THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION

DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Munday, Texas on the 10th day of October, 2005.

APPROVED:


MAYOR

DULY RECORDED:


CITY SECRETARY 10/10/05