

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-005

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS,
CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CITRUS HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 78,
ARTICLE III. - PROHIBITION AGAINST INTRUSIVE AND UNSAFE
PANHANDLING, SECTIONS 78-50 TO 78-54**

The City Council of the City of Citrus Heights hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Declaration of Intent.

The purpose of this ordinance is to promote and ensure the health, safety, and welfare of its residents while simultaneously honoring the rights of its residents to free speech as protected under First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Section 2 of the California Constitution.

SECTION 2. Repeal of Municipal Code Sections 78-50 to 78-54.

Citrus Heights Municipal Code Chapter 78, Article III. - Prohibition Against Intrusive and Unsafe Panhandling, Sections 78-50 to 78-54 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 3. CEQA.

This action or project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines. The action being considered by the City Council is an administrative activity of government that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

SECTION 4. Severability.

If any section, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 5. Effective Date and Notice.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption, provided it is published in full or in summary within fifteen (15) days of its adoption, in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City of Citrus Heights.

SECTION 6. Ordinance Introduced at Regular Meeting.

This Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on October 26, 2023.

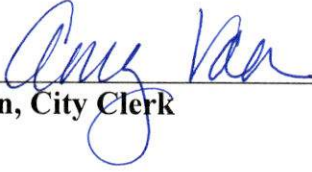
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights at a regular meeting held on this 9th day of November, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Karpinski-Costa, Lopez-Taff, Middleton, Daniels, Schaefer
NOES: Council Members: None
ABSENT: Council Members: None
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None



Tim Schaefer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Van, City Clerk