



# *CITY COUNCIL*

## *Public Safety Committee*

**Tuesday, September 2, 2008**

**Agenda**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Committee Members: D. Sterner, Chair; S. Marmarou; M. Goodman-Hinnershitz**

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** **5:00 pm**

**1. Executive Session**

**2. Update – Housing Permit Application Process** **5:30 pm**

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**I. School-time Curfew (Dep. Chief Talbot)** **6:00 p.m.**

**II. Clymer Street Fire** **6:20 p.m.**  
*Codes & Fire Issues*

**III. Mobile Food Vendor Amendment** **6:45 pm**

**IV. CIP Amendment** **7:00 pm**  
**City Hall Security**

**V. Review Reports:**

- Codes Enforcement
- Crime Stats (Police)
- Fire Report

*It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above-stated meeting to gather information. No action will be taken by any governmental body at the above stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.*

## Public Safety Goals

**Goal 1: Coordination of Police, Codes and Zoning Services**

**Goal 2: Support Problem Oriented Policing**

**Goal 3: Surveillance Camera Project**

**Goal 4: Support re-establishment of Canine Unit**

**Goal 5: Support Consolidation of Fire Departments**

**Goal 6: Support Update of Emergency & Pandemic Plan (including NIMS Training for all required personnel)**

**Goal 7: Support Health and Safety Review Ordinances**

**Goal 8: Amend Disruptive Tenant Ordinance (to remove loop holes and inconsistencies)**

**Goal 9: Support Cops and Codes Sweeps**

**Goal 10: Support Implementation of Sidewalk Café and Sales Ordinances**

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ 2008  
AN ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF READING CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 6, PART 7, SCHOOL TIME CURFEW, TO ADD A NEW SECTION PERTAINING TO PROHIBITED CONDUCT OF JUVENILES ON SCHOOL DAYS AND TO ADD THIS NEW SECTION TO THE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE, AS ATTACHED IN EXHIBIT A.**

**Whereas**, the City of Reading has an obligation to provide for the protection of juveniles from each other and other persons; for the protection of the general public; and for the reduction of the incidents of criminal activity.

**Whereas**, loitering around school buildings creates safety hazards for students, City residents and visitors; and

**Whereas**, the City of Reading City Council enacts this legislation to further prohibit juveniles from loitering in the vicinity of school buildings to protect students, residents and visitors against crime and undue annoyance.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF READING CITY COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Chapter 6, Conduct, Part 7, School Time Curfew, to protect the public safety, health and welfare of all in our community as attached in Exhibit A.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance will become effective in ten (10) days when approved in accordance with Section 221 of the City of Reading Home Rule Charter.

Enacted by Council \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

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President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

*(Pension Administrator & Council Staff)*

Submitted to Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by the Mayor's Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBIT A**

**PART 76**  
**SCHOOL TIME CURFEW**

**§6-701. Background.**

The City of Reading and community have legitimate concerns regarding the refusal or failure of juveniles to attend school as required by the Compulsory Attendance Statute of the Commonwealth, with evidence that juveniles who refuse to attend school are more likely to not complete elementary or secondary education and are more likely to engage in misconduct injurious to themselves or other persons or property.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §1)*

**§6-702. Purpose.**

The City of Reading has an obligation to provide for the protection of juveniles from each other and from other persons, for the enforcement of parental responsibility for acts of their children, for the protection of the general public, and for the reduction of the incidents of juvenile criminal activity. The City also desires to promote the safety and good order of the community by encouraging parental responsibility and helping to eradicate or minimize the occurrences of rowdiness, vandalism, harassment, graffiti, theft, drug dealing, drug use, and other behaviors of juveniles as well as the harm done by juveniles to the community.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §2)*

**§6-703. Definitions.**

**ESTABLISHMENT** - any privately owned place of business operated for a profit to which the public is invited including, but not limited to, any place of amusement or entertainment.

**GUARDIAN** - a person who, under court order, is the guardian of a juvenile, or a public or private agency with which a juvenile has been placed by a court of competent jurisdiction.

**HOMESCHOOL** - applies to children legally authorized to participate in a Home Education Program conducted in compliance with §1327.1 of the Public School Code.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §3)*

**JUVENILE** - any unmarried person over 7 years of age and under 17 years of age or a person over 17 years of age and less than 18 years of age who is enrolled in or subject to compulsory education.

**LOITERING** - remaining idle in essentially one location or lingering or standing around without purpose either alone or in consort with others.

**OPERATOR** - any individual, firm, association, partnership, corporation, or other entity, operating, managing or conducting any establishment. The term "operator" includes the members, owner or partners of an association, partnership or other similar entity and the officers of a corporation.

**PARENT** - a person who is the birth parent, step-parent or adoptive parent of a juvenile. As used herein, "parent" shall also include a court-appointed guardian or other person, 18 years of age or older, authorized by the parent, a court order, or by the court-appointed guardian to have the care and custody of the juvenile.

**PUBLIC PLACE** - any location to which the public or a substantial group of the public has access and includes, but is not limited to streets, sidewalks, the common areas of schools, parks,

hospitals, apartment houses, office buildings, transport facilities, shopping centers, malls and other such common areas.

**REMAIN** - to fail to immediately leave specific premises when requested to do so by a police officer or the owner, operator or other person in control of the premises.

**SCHOOL** - any public, private; denominational, charter or parochial education institution that is licensed, or exempt from licensing, by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any other state or government, including any alternative program of study, including a homeschool, or workstudy offered by such an institution and any degree granting institution of higher education as prescribed in the regulations of the Board of Education.

#### **§6-704. Unlawful Activity.**

1. It shall be unlawful for any juvenile who is subject to compulsory education to loiter, wander, or be in or upon the public street, road, alley, park, playground or other public place, or the premises of any establishment, vacant lot or any unsupervised place in the City of Reading from 8:30 a.m. through ~~2:30~~ **3:10 p.m.** on any day for which the school, at which such juvenile is enrolled, is in session, subject to §6-705.
2. It shall be unlawful for any juvenile who is subject to compulsory continuing/alterative education to loiter, wander or be in or upon a public street, road, alley, park, playground, or other public place or the premises of any establishment, vacant lot or any unsupervised place in the City of Reading from 8:30 a.m. through ~~2:30~~ **3:10 p.m.** p.m. on any day for which the school at which such juvenile is enrolled is in session, subject to §6-705.
3. It shall be unlawful for the parent(s) or guardian (s) of any juvenile to knowingly permit or allow the juvenile to remain in, loiter, wander, or be in or upon the public street, road, alley, park, playground or other public place or the premises of any establishment, vacant lot or any unsupervised place from 8:30 a.m. through ~~2:30~~ **3:10 p.m.** p.m. on any day for which the school, at which such juvenile is enrolled, is in session, subject to §6-705.
4. No operator of an establishment or the agents or employees thereof shall knowingly permit any juvenile to remain in or about any public place or any establishment between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and ~~2:30~~ **3:10 p.m.** p.m. during any day on which the school in which the juvenile is enrolled is in session.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §4)*

5. *It shall be unlawful for any juvenile to loiter within 1,000 feet of any grade school building from 8:00 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. on any day in which the school is in session, subject to §6-705 A - I.*

#### **§6-705. Defenses.**

It is a defense to prosecution under this Part:

- A. That the juvenile is accompanied by his or her parent(s), guardian(s), or other adult(s) who has the care or custody of the juvenile.
- B. That the juvenile is on an emergency errand (without any detour or stop) directed by his or her parent(s), guardians) or other adult(s) who has the care or custody of the juvenile.
- C. That the juvenile is going to or coming directly from, without detour or stop, with permission, his or her place of school or approved employment, which includes vocational training.
- D. That the juvenile is going to or coming directly from a medical appointment or an

emergency.

E. That the juvenile has permission to leave the school campus for lunch or a school-related activity or has possession of a valid school-issued off-campus permit.

F. That the juvenile is going to or coming from a continuing/alternative education activity.

G. That the juvenile is attending an official school, religious or other recreational activity supervised by adults or sponsored by the City of Reading or other governmental entity, a civic organization, or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the juvenile and that the parent(s) or guardian (s) has given permission for the student to attend such activity.

H. That the juvenile is going to or returning from, without any detour or stop, of the foregoing in subsection (G).

I. That the juvenile is going to or coming from any government-sponsored activity.

J. That the compulsory education or continuing/alternative education to which the juvenile is subject is not in session.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §5)*

#### **§6-706. Enforcement Procedure.**

1. Upon a juvenile's failure to comply with §6-704 (1) (2) *or* (5) of this Part, a police officer shall issue a citation to the juvenile and transport the juvenile home or to the school from which the juvenile is absent. If cited, the juvenile and parent(s) or guardian(s) shall appear in district justice court. The parent(s) or guardian(s) shall be forwarded a copy of the citation of the juvenile, and said citation will be mailed via certified mail, return receipt requested, and will include a warning that the parent(s) is (are) responsible and liable as the juvenile's parent(s). Any and all records of such citations shall be maintained in the City's database. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense.

2. If the parent(s) or guardian(s) has (have) been warned pursuant to subsection (1) hereof, then the officer may issue a citation to the parent(s) or guardian(s) for every subsequent violation of this Part. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense.

3. Once a citation is issued, pursuant to subsection (2) hereof, each and every subsequent violation of this Part is cause for an officer to issue a citation to the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the juvenile.

4. If any operator of an establishment or any agents or employees of any operator fail to comply with the provisions of this Part, a police officer shall issue a citation for said violation. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §6)*

#### **§6-707. Penalties.**

1. Any juvenile, parent(s) or guardian(s), individual(s), or operator(s) convicted of violating any Section of this Part shall be subject to the following:

A. **First Offense.** \$ 50.00, plus costs and performance of restorative or community service to be assigned by the Superintendent of Schools and/or school principal.

B. **Second Offense.** \$100.00, plus costs and performance of restorative or community service to be assigned by the Superintendent of Schools and principal.

2. Any juvenile, parent(s) or guardian(s), individual(s) or operator(s) convicted of violating any Section of this Part for a third and every subsequent offense, may be subject to a fine not less than

\$300.00 or more than \$1,000.00, plus costs and performance of community service as set forth in subsection (1).

3. Any community service required will not exceed 40 hours in a month and will be completed within 30 days from the date of the violation; community service imposed on a juvenile will not be completed by the juvenile during his or her hours of school attendance or related employment

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §7)*

**§6-708. Delegation.**

Appropriate City officials, including members of the Police Department, authorized members of the Reading School District, including truancy enforcement and school safety officers, Children Youth Service employees and juvenile probation officers are authorized and directed to take such actions as are necessary to effectuate this Part.

*(Ord. 13-2001, 6/11/2001, §8)*

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_-2008  
A N O R D I N A N C E

**AMENDING THE CITY OF READING CODIFIED ORDINANCES SECTION 10-1705  
CHANGING THE LOCATION AND NUMBER OF MOBILE FOOD VENDORS**

**SECTION 1.** Amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Section 10-1705 1 as follows:

**§10-1705. License Required**

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of a sidewalk vendor within the City of Reading without first obtaining a license pursuant to this Section. Such sidewalk vending activities are only permitted within the Commercial Core Zoning District and between the southern border of Franklin Street, the northern border of Washington Street, the western border of ~~8th Street~~ **Front Street** and the eastern border of 11th Street.

**SECTION 2.** Amending the City of Reading Codified Ordinances Section 10-1705 2 (A) as follows:

2. The restrictions of this Section shall not apply to itinerant food operations associated with the organized festival, carnival, fair, parade, picnic or other affair that may be approved or sponsored by the City or its associated bureaus or agencies, in such areas which may be designated and approved for itinerant food operations on a temporary basis.

**A. Location, Type and Number.** A sidewalk vendor license shall only be issued for and restricted to vendor sales from an approved stand at specific and fixed locations within the Commercial Core Zoning District. All sidewalk vending shall be conducted within the public right-of-way, as defined herein. Vending on private property shall follow provisions set forth in the City of Reading Zoning Ordinance [Chapter 27] for the zoning district in which the vendor is located. ~~Ten~~ **Fifteen** sidewalk vending licenses shall be issued for food-related sales annually per District as determined by the Vending License Board. Ten sidewalk vending licenses for self-serve vending machines ***will be issued annually***. The Vending License Board shall determine the exact location of each vendor or vending machine in each district. The City may increase or decrease the number and locations of the sidewalk vendors at any time with proper notification to the vendors. The City may, if necessary, temporarily relocate any or all vendor(s) by giving the vendor(s) 48- hour notice.

**SECTION 3.** All other parts of the Ordinance remain unchanged.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall be effective ten (10) days after passage.

Enacted \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

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President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

*(Council Office)*

Submitted to Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by the Mayor's Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## PART 17 SIDEWALK VENDORS

### **§10-1701. Purpose**

The purpose of this Part is to provide for the regulation of sidewalk vendors in the City of Reading to promote an active and attractive pedestrian environment. The City of Reading has the responsibility to provide public safety for pedestrians and to protect public facilities. Whereby, reasonable regulation of sidewalk vendors is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare in the public right of way. It is the finding of City Council that the regulation of sidewalk vendors is necessary to promote the orderly and efficient use of sidewalks, to prevent undue interference with established businesses and to assure the performance of essential utility, traffic control and emergency services.  
(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1702. Title**

This Part shall be known as the "Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance."  
(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1703. Interpretation**

The provisions of this Part shall be construed to be the minimum requirements necessary to serve the general welfare and safety of the residents of the City of Reading. Where the provisions of any statute, other ordinance or regulation impose greater restrictions or higher standards than those enumerated in this Part, the provisions of such statute, ordinance or regulation shall govern.  
(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1704. Definitions**

For the purpose of this Part, certain terms shall be defined as follows:

**COMMERCIAL CORE ZONING DISTRICT** - the downtown center for government services, offices, shopping, hotels, entertainment and cultural activity. Please see the City of Reading Zoning Map.

**KIOSK** - a freestanding structure upon which temporary information and/or posters, notices and announcements are posted; an open gazebo, pavilion or similar structure used as a newsstand, refreshment booth or the like.

**OFFICIAL MAP** - the topographical survey of the City of Reading, Pennsylvania on file in the Engineering Office.

**PASSABLE** - free of any impediment or obstruction, whatsoever, that would hinder the travel of the public.

**PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY** - any place of any nature which is legally open to public use and used and/or intended for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, including public streets, alleys, sidewalks, and roadways, but excluding any public property of the City of Reading. The official topographic survey map of Reading, Pennsylvania, on file in the Engineering Office shall be the final authoritative document should the existence of any street, dedicated or not be disputed.

**PUBLIC OUTDOOR PAY TELEPHONE** - any outdoor publicly accessible pay telephone any portion of which, or its enclosure, it situated on, projects over, or hangs over a portion of the public right-of way; or is situated such that it can be used by a person standing on the public right-of way.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY** - all real and personal property, whether within or outside the corporate City limits, belonging to the City of Reading, excluding that which is used and/or intends for use by vehicular or pedestrian traffic and defined herein as a public right-of-way.

**SANDWICH BOARD** - any portable sign which is intended, by design, use or construction, to be used by resting upon the ground for support and may be easily moved or relocated for reuse.

**SIDEWALK** - that portion of a public right-of-way for which paving is required under this Part of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Reading and which is used primarily for pedestrian travel.

**SIDEWALK AREA** - that portion of the public right-of-way occurring between the curblineline and the topographical building line.

**SIDEWALK VENDOR** - person or persons who exhibits, displays, or sells any food, beverage, goods, printed materials or merchandise from and stand, cart vending machine or trailer while on or about the sidewalk area.

**SIDEWALK VENDOR LICENSE** - the written authorization, issued by the City of Reading, to construct, install, erect, or place any obstruction within the public right-of-way. The license must be displayed prominently on each stand, cart, trailer and/or obstruction.

**STAND** - any structure, device or object erected, installed, or placed within any portion of the public right-of-way or chained, bolted or otherwise attached to a building or structure in such a manner that any portion of said structure, device or object projects over or into the public right-of-way used to exhibit, display or sell food or goods. Stands shall include, but are not limited to, kiosks, newsracks, newsstands, outdoor pay telephones, sandwich boards, stands, street furniture and vending machines. The terms "tables," "carts," "stands" and "trailers" shall be used interchangeably throughout this Part and should be construed to the same meaning.

**TRAILER** - vehicle designed to be towed by a motor vehicle.

**VENDING CART** - small, light vehicle moved by hand for the purpose of conducting food sales.

**VENDING LICENSE BOARD** - Board authorized to approve permits and the location of sidewalk vendors, pursuant to §10-1710.

**VENDING MACHINE** - any self-service device that provides for the sale or distribution of food, beverage or goods, newspapers, other printed materials either in bulk or in package, without the necessity of replenishing the device between each vending operation.  
(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1705. License Required**

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of a sidewalk vendor within the City of Reading without first obtaining a license pursuant to this Section. Such sidewalk vending activities are only permitted within the Commercial Core Zoning District and between the southern border of Franklin Street, the northern border of Washington Street, the western border of ~~8<sup>th</sup> Street~~ **Front Street** and the eastern border of 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

2. The restrictions of this Section shall not apply to itinerant food operations associated with the organized festival, carnival, fair, parade, picnic or other affair that may be approved or sponsored by the City or its associated bureaus or agencies, in such areas which may be designated and approved for itinerant food operations on a temporary basis.

A. **Location, Type and Number.** A sidewalk vendor license shall only be issued for and restricted to vendor sales from an approved stand at specific and fixed locations within the Commercial Core Zoning District. All sidewalk vending shall be conducted within the public right-of-way, as defined herein. Vending on private property shall follow provisions set forth in the City of Reading Zoning Ordinance [Chapter 27] for the zoning district in which the vendor is located. ~~Ten~~ **Fifteen** sidewalk

vending licenses shall be issued for food-related sales annually per District as determined by the Vending License Board. Ten sidewalk vending licenses for self-serve vending machines **will be issued annually**. The Vending License Board shall determine the exact location of each vendor or vending machine in each district. The City may increase or decrease the number and locations of the sidewalk vendors at any time with proper notification to the vendors. The City may, if necessary, temporarily relocate any or all vendor(s) by giving the vendor(s) 48- hour notice.

**B. More than Two Licenses Prohibited.** A person who holds or has an interest in two sidewalk vendor licenses as an owner, partner or shareholder shall not have any additional interest, either directly or indirectly, as an owner, partner or shareholder in any other sidewalk vendor license.

**C. License Nontransferable.** A sidewalk vendor license shall not be transferable to another holder except upon the permanent disability of the holder, and any prohibited transfer of the license shall work an automatic forfeiture thereof. If the license holder is not a natural person, the transfer of any ownership interest in the holder of the license shall be deemed a prohibited transfer.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1706. Permitting for Sidewalk Vendors Outside the Permitted Area**

Applications for sidewalk cafes outside the Commercial Core Zoning District shall be submitted to the Codes Enforcement Office in accordance with the regulations contained herein. Such applications shall be forwarded to City Council for approval.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1707. License Application**

**1. Notice of License Availability.** Applications for sidewalk vending licenses will be available between November 1 and November 15 in the City of Reading Codes Office.

Notice of such availability will be made through a newspaper of general circulation not more than 30 days nor less than 14 days prior to November 1.

**2. Application.** Any person interested in applying for a sidewalk vendor's license may, after public notice listed above, make application by filing such forms containing the required information with the City of Reading Codes Office with a nonrefundable application fee of \$50 no later than 4 p.m. on November 15.

The application shall at a minimum set forth:

A. True name and address of the applicant. P.O. boxes will not be permitted.

B. Names and addresses of any employees, other than the owner, who operate the stand.

C. Photographs and specifications of the proposed sidewalk vendor cart(s), stand(s) or trailer(s) to be used in sufficient detail showing compliance with the design criteria, standards, and specifications in §10-1708 herein.

D. Sufficient detail about the proposed sidewalk vendor and the products proposed for sale must be submitted with the application for evaluation and compliance with applicable City and State Health Codes, along with copies of the required City and State health permits.

E. A copy of the applicant's business privilege license.

F. A copy of the permit allowing for the use of on-unit heating, cooking, water, electrical or cooling devices. Utility connections to neighboring properties shall be prohibited.

G. A complete listing of the items to be offered for sale or distribution. Applications will be initially reviewed by the Codes Office for completeness. Incomplete applications may be amended one time and resubmitted on or before November 15 as stated above.

**3. Review of Applications.** Not more than 45 days following application deadline, the Vending License Board shall complete the review of all applications filed and notify the applicants of the results thereof in writing. An application shall be denied and the applicant shall be ineligible for a sidewalk vendor license if:

A. The application is incomplete in any material respect.

- B. The proposed vending cart does not comply with the cart design criteria, standards or specifications and/or applicable health requirements.
- C. The applicant does not have a business privilege license.
- D. The applicant, or any natural person having an interest in the entity making the application, has:
  - (1) An interest in more than two sidewalk vendor licenses.
  - (2) Within the past 5 years held or had an interest in a sidewalk vendor license that has been revoked.
  - (3) Within the past 10 years been convicted of selling, offering to sell or possession with intent to sell a controlled substance or convicted of a felony.
- E. If an application is denied, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the reason(s) therefore.

4. Each license shall be issued for one calendar year, February 1 to January 31, and shall be subject to review during the calendar year for adherence to the requirements of this Part.  
(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1708. Design Standards.**

#### **1. Design and Appearance.**

A. **General Requirements.** All sidewalk vendor carts, trailers or stands shall be designed to be attractive, easily maintained in a sanitary condition, and mobile. There will be no fixed design as such; however, literature on designs, manufacturers, costs and similar details will be available in the City Codes Office. In addition, vending must comply with State and local health and sanitation requirements on such matters as refrigeration, cooking, utensils and appliances, materials and food storage. A health permit must be obtained by all vendors selling food before operation of sales begins.

#### **B. Required Physical Features.**

- (1) The dimensions of the vending shall not exceed 4 feet x 8 feet. This is the largest in operation size and states the largest exterior dimensions permitted (including wheels, handles and similar parts). Fold-out shelves for larger merchandise are permitted, provided there will be no interference with pedestrian movement.
- (2) **Mobility.** Vending carts must have at least two wheels. They must permit easy movement and maneuverability in the event of emergency and required relocation.
- (3) **License Display.** The vending license must be clearly displayed on the cart in such a manner and location as to be clearly visible to customers.
- (4) **Trash Receptacles.** Each vending cart will have provisions for vendor and customer trash disposal. Vendors are responsible for proper disposal of this trash whenever the container becomes full or, at a minimum, at the conclusion of the day's operation.
- (5) **Covers.** Umbrellas or canopies are desirable. The umbrella must not conflict with public passage on the right of way, nor be obtrusive to vendors' signs or neighboring business. The cover must be well maintained
- (6) **Utility Connections.** Utility connections for water, cooking, cooling, electric, heating, etc., must be contained in the unit. Utility connections to neighboring properties shall be prohibited.
- (7) **Fire.** A 5 pound ABC type dry chemical fire extinguisher is required for all vending carts utilizing a flame for any purpose.

#### **C. Prohibited Features.**

- (1) Advertising other than the name of the vendor's business or suppliers.  
(Advertising must appeal to the sensibilities of the general public.)
- (2) Propulsion systems other than manual.
- (3) Gas cylinders larger than 20 pounds.
- (4) Vending directly from a motor vehicle is prohibited except for those provisions under .05(a).

D. Waivers will not be permitted for any requirement based on health, safety or sanitation considerations.

E. All carts shall comply with standards and specifications described herein and adopted by the City. Failure to comply shall be sufficient grounds for rejection of a vending license application or suspension or revocation of any license issued.

2. **Maintenance.** All sidewalk vendor carts shall at all times be maintained in good condition and repair. Any repairs to or replacements of sidewalk vendor carts shall comply fully with the existing design criteria, standards and specification. No replacement cart may be placed into operation until approved.

3. **Carts Self-Contained.** All sidewalk vendor carts shall be so designed that all sale activities, including trash disposal facilities, can be conducted totally from the vending cart. Use of the sidewalk by a vendor for product display, storage, or disposal of trash shall be prohibited.

4. **Sign.** No sign shall be permitted except an identification of the vendor's business name and the listing of items available to sale and the price thereof. The sign must not be obtrusive to the public way or conflict with neighboring businesses.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

### **§10-1709. Sidewalk Vendor Operation Standards**

1. **Days and Hours of Operation.** Sidewalk vendor sales may be conducted daily between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from October 1 through March 31 of each year and between the hours of 9:00 am. and 7:30 p.m. from April 1 through September 30 of each year, unless otherwise permitted or restricted by regulations adopted by the City.

2. **Daily Removal.** Sidewalk stands and accouterments shall be removed from the sidewalk daily, not later than ½ hour after the close of business or and not returned thereto earlier than ½ hour before the time permitted for opening, unless otherwise provided by the regulations adopted by the City. Any item not removed from the sidewalk at the close of business may be removed and stored by the City of Reading. The vendor will be charged for costs, storage and the penalty prescribed under §10-1714 herein.

3. **Safe and Sanitary Condition.** Sidewalk vendor carts and vending areas shall be maintained in a safe, broom-clean and sanitary condition at all times. Sidewalk vendor carts licensed hereunder to sell food products shall:

A. Be subject to inspection at any time by a City of Reading Codes Inspector and shall at all times be licensed under and be in compliance with all applicable State and local codes.

B. If using portable heating or cooking facilities, subject to inspection at all times by the City of Reading Fire Marshal and Codes Office and shall comply with all applicable codes of the City of Reading. A permit must be obtained from the Fire Marshal before operation of sales begins.

4. **Quiet Operations.** Sidewalk vendors shall conduct business in an orderly fashion and shall not make loud or raucous noises or use sound amplifying devices to attract attention, nor verbally hawk or solicit product sales to pedestrians or motorists.

5. **Use and Maintenance of Sidewalk.** All sales and related activity shall be conducted from the vending area during which times the vending cart shall not be moved from the assigned vending location. No products shall be stored or displayed, on the sidewalk or any adjacent outside area. The sidewalk vendor shall be solely responsible to keep the sidewalk area free of trash, litter, debris or spillage generated by the vendor's business.

The vending cart shall be placed so as not to impede the free movement of pedestrian traffic. The use of tables, chairs, benches, etc., around the vending cart is strictly prohibited.

6. **Public Liability Insurance.** Each license holder shall maintain and provide the City of Reading with proof thereof, insurance for public liability, with minimum coverage of \$100,000 per individual and \$500,000 per incident.

7. **Prohibitions.** An object, device or structure as regulated under the terms of this Part shall be expressly prohibited when its construction, erection, installation or placement would result in any of the following conditions:

- A. A passable sidewalk width less than 5 horizontal feet.
- B. A horizontal projection from the building line in excess of 5 feet.
- C. A reduction in sight triangle.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1710. Suspension or Revocation of License**

A sidewalk vendor license shall be subject to suspension or revocation by the City for violation of any provision of this Part or any regulations promulgated or enacted hereunder, or violation of applicable State or local, including but limited to all health or safety regulations, zoning and taxation.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1711. Vending License Board**

The Vending License Board shall consist of ~~the~~ one member of the Board of Directors of the Reading Downtown Improvement District Authority (DID) or their designee, one member of the City of Reading Planning Commission or their designee, one employee from the Codes Office, Reading Police Traffic Enforcement and Public Works.

A. **Responsibilities.** The Vending License Board shall have the following responsibilities and duties:

- (1) Meet no later than December 30 annually to review and approve vendor license applications.
- (2) Determine vendor locations for each approved applicant within the Commercial Core Zoning District.
- (3) Recommend amendments to this Part to the Council of the City of Reading.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1712. Enforcement**

This Part will be enforced under the jurisdiction of the City Codes Office and the Reading Police Department.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1713. Construction and Severability**

In the event any provision, Section, sentence, clause or part of this Part shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, such invalidity, illegality or unconstitutionality shall not affect or impair any remaining provision, Section, sentence, clause or part of this Part, it being the intent of the Council of the City of Reading that such remainder shall remain in full force.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

#### **§10-1714. Penalty**

Any person violating any provision of this Part or of the regulations promulgated hereunder, shall, upon conviction thereof in a summary proceeding, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$500 for each and every offense, to be collected as other fines and costs are by law collectible, or shall be imprisoned for not more than 90 days or both. Each day during which the person violated any provision of this Part shall constitute a separate offense. Institution of a prosecution for the imposition of the foregoing penalty shall not be construed to limit or deny the right of the City to such equitable or other remedies as may be allowed by law.

(Ord. 63-2007, 8/13/2007, §1)

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_ 2008

**AN ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FY 2006-2012 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF READING.**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council amends the FY 2006-2012 Capital Improvement Program totaling \$26,631,666.00 of debt financing which, when compared to the FY 2006-2011 approved Capital Improvements Program will reflect deletions, insertion, postponements and rescheduling of certain capital projects and establishes levels of funding for each of the four remaining plan years; and

**SECTION 2.** The proposed amendments are set forth in Exhibit A, as attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its adoption, in accordance with Section 221 of the City of Reading Home Rule Charter.

Enacted \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

# **EXHIBIT A**

**CITY OF READING  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM  
FY 2006 - FY 2012**

PROJECT	YEAR	PROJ. COST	DEBT FINANCING	EXPENDITURES TO DATE	BALANCE	AMENDMENT	NEW BUDGET	STATUS
<b>2006</b>								
PLACE RESCUE 1	2006	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00	\$462,441.00	(\$12,441.00)	\$12,441.00	\$462,441.00	COMPL
STER RECOVERY	2006	\$1,250,000.00	\$1,250,000.00	\$1,252,025.00	(\$2,025.00)	\$2,025.00	\$1,252,025.00	COMPL
rrupted Power Source	2006	\$67,000.00	\$67,000.00	\$16,900.00	\$50,100.00	\$0.00	\$67,000.00	PROGR IN
HASE GIS SYSTEM FOR CITYWIDE*	2006	\$3,000,000.00	\$750,000.00	\$91,779.00	\$658,221.00	(\$568,221.00)	\$181,779.00	PROGR IN
ILD OAKBROOK FIRE STATION	2006	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$428,058.00	\$1,071,942.00	\$1,200,000.00	\$2,700,000.00	PROGR IN
RANGE CLASSROOM ADDITION	2006	\$52,000.00	\$52,000.00	\$0.00	\$52,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$252,000.00	PROGR IN
UBLIC PROPERTY CITY HALL ROOF	2006	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$93,000.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	PROGR IN
reet Bridge Lighting Repairs	2006	\$87,000.00	\$87,000.00	\$0.00	\$87,000.00	\$0.00	\$87,000.00	PROGR IN
HWAYS SALT BRINE EQUIPMENT	2006	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$33,393.00	\$16,607.00	(\$16,607.00)	\$33,393.00	COMPL IN
Y NORTHWEST BRANCH REPAIRS	2007	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$17,000.00	\$43,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	PROGR IN
EVIDENCE ROOM EXPANSION	2006	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$10,472.00	\$189,528.00	\$50,000.00	\$250,000.00	PROGR IN
UBLIC PROPERTY STADIUM HIGH MAST REPLACEMENT	2006	\$152,000.00	\$152,000.00	\$115,290.00	\$36,710.00	(\$36,710.00)	\$115,290.00	COMPL IN
REATION BAER PARK PLAYGROUND RENOVATION	2006	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$3,975.00	\$46,025.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	PROGR IN
Unit	2006	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	COMPL
		\$7,168,000.00	\$4,868,000.00	\$2,538,333.00	\$2,329,667	\$842,928	\$5,710,928.00	
<b>2007</b>								
PLACE ENGINE 14	2007	\$475,000.00	\$475,000.00	\$473,538.00	\$1,462.00	(\$1,462.00)	\$473,538.00	COMPL IN
Downtown Camera Network	2007	\$1,785,000.00	\$390,000.00	\$91,560.00	\$298,440.00	\$0.00	\$390,000.00	PROGR IN
Y MAIN BRANCH RENOVATION	2007	\$140,000.00	\$140,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	(\$100,000.00)	\$40,000.00	PROGR IN
REATION CITY PARK RENOVATION	2007	\$1,050,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$49,504.00	\$1,450,496.00	\$0.00	\$1,500,000.00	COMPL IN
HWAYS TRASH COMPACTOR TRUCK	2007	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$103,394.00	\$16,606.00	(\$16,606.00)	\$103,394.00	COMPL

PUBLIC PROPERTY BANDSHELL REHABILITATION	2007	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$45,337.00	\$34,663.00	\$0.00	\$80,000.00	IN PROGR
PUBLIC PROPERTY Pagoda Renovations	2007	\$1,443,900.00	\$1,443,900.00	\$100,468.00	\$343,432.00	\$0.00	\$1,443,900.00	IN PROGR
ROADWAYS DUMP TRUCK	2007	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$64,615.00	\$45,385.00	(\$64,615.00)	\$45,385.00	COMPL
RECREATION BAER PARK PLAYGROUND RENOVATION	2007	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$3,975.00	\$46,025.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	IN PROGR
RECREATION Hillside Playground Renovation	2007	\$70,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$2,230.00	\$57,770.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	IN PROGR
UTILITY LINE DRIVE WALL REPAIR	2007	\$171,500.00	\$171,500.00	\$0.00	\$171,500.00	\$0.00	\$171,500.00	IN PROGR
UTILITY ENGINEERING BUCKET TRUCK	2007	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$21,740.00	\$48,260.00	(\$48,260.00)	\$21,740.00	COMPL
RECREATION SCHLEGEL PARK POOL REPLASTER/TILE	2007	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$202,100.00	(\$52,100.00)	\$52,100.00	\$202,100.00	COMPL
UTILITY ENGINEERING HANDICAP RAMPS	2007	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
PUBLIC PROPERTY 6 & PENN COURTYARD UPGRADE	2007	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$120,000.00	IN PROGR
PUBLIC PROPERTY ATHLETIC FIELD LIGHTING	2007	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
KS City Park Pond Remediation & Water Feature	2007	\$230,000.00	(\$230,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$230,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
STREET GARAGE OVERHEAD LUBRICATION SYSTEM	2007	\$114,666.00	\$114,666.00	\$0.00	\$114,666.00	\$0.00	\$114,666.00	IN PROGR
		\$6,330,066.00	\$4,665,066.00	\$1,158,461	\$2,628,605	(\$508,843)	\$4,816,223.00	
<b>2008</b>								
BUILD PENN STREET FIRE STATION	2008	\$2,500,000.00	\$2,500,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,500,000.00	(\$2,500,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
PUBLIC PROPERTY STADIUM FIELD LIGHTING UPGRADES	2007	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	IN PROGR
PUBLIC PROPERTY STADIUM HIGH MAST PAINTING	2007	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	IN PROGR
PUBLIC PROPERTY CITY HALL BRASS RESTORATION	2007	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	(\$75,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
INDOOR FURNISHINGS	2007	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	(\$60,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
RECREATION 3rd & SPRING PLAYGROUND RENOVATION	2008	\$160,000.00	(\$80,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$80,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
RECREATION BAER PARK FIELD HOUSE RENOVATION	2008	\$100,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
WAREHOUSE	2008	\$126,000.00	\$126,000.00	\$0.00	\$126,000.00	\$0.00	\$126,000.00	IN PROGR
RECREATION Angelica Nature Center	2008	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	
WAREHOUSE	2008	\$365,000.00	\$365,000.00	\$0.00	\$365,000.00	\$0.00	\$365,000.00	IN PROGR
SECURITY City Hall	2008	\$30,600.00	\$30,600.00	\$0.00	\$30,600.00	(\$30,600.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
ENGINEERING Green Roof for City Hall	2008	\$336,000.00	\$336,000.00	\$0.00	\$336,000.00	(\$336,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
KS Duryea Drive Guard Rails	2009	\$230,000.00	\$230,000.00	\$0.00	\$230,000.00	\$0.00	\$230,000.00	IN

									PROGR
AL MULTIMEDIA UPGRADE Council Chambers	2008	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	(\$250,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
		\$5,342,600.00	\$4,952,600.00	\$0.00	\$5,082,600.00	(\$3,381,600.00)	\$1,831,000.00		
<b>2009</b>									
HWAYS FRONT END LOADER	2008	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$175,000.00		
HWAYS STREET SWEEPERS	2007	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00		
ET BIG TRUCK LIFT	2008	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
FFIC ENGINEERING HANDICAP RAMPS	2007	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG	
ILD NEW HAMPDEN/MARION FIRE STATION	2009	\$2,500,000.00	\$2,500,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,500,000.00	(\$2,500,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
REATION NORTHMONT PLAYGROUND RENOVATION	2009	\$160,000.00	(\$80,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$80,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG	
S OFFCIE First Energy Stadium Repair	2009	\$26,000,000.00	\$1,300,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,300,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,300,000.00	IN	PROGR
EETS Bridge Repair	2009	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00	\$0.00	\$450,000.00		
KS City Hall Improvements	2009	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	(\$250,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
		\$29,935,000.00	\$4,895,000.00	\$0	\$5,025,000	(\$2,930,000)	\$2,225,000.00		
<b>2010</b>									
can American Museum Site Preparation	2007	\$6,170,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00		
Y SOUTHEAST BRANCH REPAIRS	2008	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	\$70,000.00	IN	PROGR
LEY AND ROW IMPROVEMENTS	2008	\$250,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	(\$200,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
LIC PROPERTY ATHLETIC FACILITIES LIGHTING	2008	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
FFIC ENGINEERING HANDICAP RAMPS	2008	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG	
KS FRONT END LOADER	2009	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$0.00	\$120,000.00	(\$120,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
HWAYS STREET SWEEPERS	2009	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	(\$300,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
Y MAIN BRANCH EXPANSION	2010	\$8,000,000.00	\$2,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00	(\$2,000,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
REATION KEFFER PARK FIELD HOUSE RENOVATION	2008	\$100,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG	
n Dynamic Portal	2008	\$286,000.00	\$286,000.00	\$0.00	\$286,000.00	\$0.00	\$286,000.00	IN	PROGR
		\$15,396,000.00	\$3,426,000.00	\$0	\$3,526,000	(\$2,770,000)	\$856,000.00		
<b>2011</b>									
HWAYS STREET SWEEPERS	2010	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$0.00	\$300,000.00	(\$300,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
KS GROUNDMASTER TRACTOR	2010	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00		
Y New NW Branch	2011	\$1,800,000.00	\$1,800,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,800,000.00	(\$1,800,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
LIC PROPERTY ATHLETIC FACILITIES LIGHTING	2010	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETE	
Y NORTHEAST BRANCH REPAIRS	2009	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	\$70,000.00		

<b>FFIC ENGINEERING HANDICAP RAMPS</b>	2008	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
<b>FFIC ENGINEERING HANDICAP RAMPS</b>	2008	\$50,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$50,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
<b>ENNING Whitewater Park</b>	2007	\$522,810.00	\$525,000.00	\$0.00	\$525,000.00	(\$525,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
<b>REATION PENDORA PARK FIELD HOUSE RENOVATION</b>	2008	\$200,000.00	(\$100,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$100,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
<b>Y BOOK MOBILE REPLACEMENT</b>	2010	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$0.00	\$120,000.00	(\$120,000.00)	\$0.00	CDBG
<b>LEY AND ROW IMPROVEMENTS</b>	2009	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	(\$250,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
<b>LEY AND ROW IMPROVEMENTS</b>	2010	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	(\$250,000.00)	\$0.00	DELETED
<b>MIC PROPERTY STADIUM FIELD LIGHTING UPGRADES</b>	2010	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	
		\$3,772,810.00	\$3,275,000.00	\$0	\$3,475,000	(\$3,495,000)	\$180,000.00	

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Stadium high mast replacement project is proposed to remain unscheduled until final determination of whether to renovate or re-locate Municipal Stadium is made. Although street paving is budgeted every year, the magnitude of the effort is beyond the City's financial capacity, thus proposing State and Federal funding. The project will be debt financed, but the life of a road is less than 10 years making it a poor candidate for such funding.