

- 1 (g) The people of the city of Salem promote policies that preserve the right to enjoy public
2 spaces and to traverse freely, while protecting free-speech rights, as well as other safe
3 activity consistent with city ordinances and permitting requirements.
- 4 (h) The regulation of use of public spaces in this ordinance leaves fully intact the right to
5 speak, protest, or engage in other lawful activity on any public sidewalk consistent with
6 city ordinances and permitting requirements.
- 7 (i) The restrictions on camping in this ordinance are objectively reasonable and allow for a
8 variety of alternative locations where individuals who are involuntarily unsheltered may
9 rest and protect themselves against inclement weather.
- 10 (j) Maintaining accessible and attractive sidewalks for pedestrian and commercial traffic is
11 an important public safety objective, and important to maintain the economic vitality of
12 the city. Blocked and obstructed sidewalks present hazards to pedestrians and discourages
13 visitors and patrons to community businesses.
- 14 (k) The placement of tents or other items on public sidewalks, public property, and public
15 rights-of-way, for habitation, is not the ordinary, customary, or intended use of these
16 areas, and is an incompatible and detrimental use of these spaces in all parts of the City.
- 17 (l) Campsites can also obstruct and delay emergency personnel responding to
18 emergencies. Campsites can obstruct ingress to and egress from businesses,
19 residential buildings, and other establishments and property.

20 **Section 3. Codification.** In preparing this ordinance for publication and distribution, the
21 City Recorder shall not alter the sense, meaning, effect or substance of this ordinance, but
22 within such limitations, may:

- 23 (a) Renumber sections and parts of sections of the ordinance;
- 24 (b) Rearrange sections;
- 25 (c) Change reference numbers to agree with renumbered chapters, sections or other
26 parts;
- 27 (d) Delete references to repealed sections;
- 28 (e) Substitute the proper subsection, section or chapter, or other division numbers;
- 29 (f) Change capitalization and spelling for the purpose of uniformity;
- 30 (g) Add headings for purposes of grouping like sections together for ease of
31 reference; and

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(h) Correct manifest clerical, grammatical or typographical errors.

Section 4. Severability. Each section of this ordinance, and any part thereof, is severable, and if any part of this ordinance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Approved by City Attorney: _____

Checked by: Dan Atchison