

ORDINANCE NO. 8

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF PARADES, DEMONSTRATIONS, ASSEMBLIES AND PICKETING; PROVIDING FOR AN APPLICATION BY ANY PERSON, PERSONS OR GROUPS DESIRING TO STAGE PARADES, DEMONSTRATIONS, ASSEMBLIES, OR ENGAGE IN PICKETING, TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND A PERMIT GRANTED FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS HEREOF.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE:

Section 1. Any person, persons, or groups desiring to stage parades, demonstrations, assemblies or engage in picketing shall make application to the Chief of Police at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the time any such proposed activity is intended to be staged. An application shall be required for each such event. The Chief of Police shall examine the application to determine whether or such proposed activity is for a lawful purpose and shall be empowered to set limitations on the time and duration of the proposed activity, number of units to be involved and/or number of persons to participate in such activities, the streets and locations where such activities shall be allowed, giving due consideration to the safety and convenience of the public generally.

In connection with any of the activities which shall be staged under this section, no signs, shields, or banners shall be placed or carried by any person upon the sidewalks of the City that extend beyond the width of the person's body and shall not extend more than twenty-four (24) inches above the person's head; persons carrying any such signs, shields, or banners shall be at least ten (10) feet apart, shall not stand or loiter in front of any doorway, driveway, or street intersection, and shall not interfere with the general flow of traffic, whether pedestrian or vehicular.

Any such activity as may be staged under the provisions of this section shall be under the supervision of the person or persons making application for the same, and any such activity shall be conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner and in compliance with the ordinances of the City.

Section 2. Any person, persons or groups, firms or corporations, violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished upon conviction by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED in the City Commission on the 17th day of September, A. D. 1963, and ADOPTED AND PASSED by the City Commission on the 8TH day of OCTOBER A. D. 1963.

/s/ Frank Hannon
Mayor-Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ B. Williams
City Auditor & Clerk

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