

ORDINANCE 612

AN ORDINANCE ADDING TITLE I ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 1.05 TO THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CREATING AN ORDINANCE MEETING ETIQUETTE AND DECORUM

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of SPRIGNFIELD that Title I of the Revised Ordinances of the City of SPRINGFIELD Is hereby amended by adding Chapter 1.0503 as follows:

Anyone addressing the Council must give their name and address. The Council expects that each speaker will be courteous. Speakers will address their comments to the entire Council and not to individual Council members, the Mayor, Finance or Deputy Finance Officer, or to the audience. Speakers are not permitted to interrogate Council members or city employees. Speakers will not be permitted to participate in gossip, make defamatory comments or use abusive or vulgar language. Speakers will not engage in personal attacks against individuals on City Council or anyone in attendance. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the speaker being denied the opportunity to address the board and being removed from the meeting room.

Disorderly conduct--Misdemeanor.

Any person who intentionally causes serious public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm to any other person, or creates a risk thereof by:

- (1) Engaging in fighting or in violent or threatening behavior;
- (2) Making unreasonable noise;
- (3) Disturbing any lawful assembly or meeting of persons without lawful authority; or**
- (4) Obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic;

is guilty of disorderly conduct. Disorderly conduct is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, if the defendant has been convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty to, three or more violations of this section, within the preceding ten years, the defendant is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor for any fourth or subsequent offense.

Michael Lee, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Tiffany Balvin, Finance Officer

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