

**ORDINANCE OF COMMON COUNCIL**

To delete item number (11) from ordinance 58-8 – Public Nuisances affecting health

Committee Action: Tree Comm. Approved 5-0, PW Comm. Approved 4-0 (with the Mayor voting)

Fiscal Impact: None

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*The City Council of the City of Stoughton, Dane County, Wisconsin, ordains that the Municipal Code of the City of Stoughton, Wisconsin is amended as follows:*

**Sec. 58-8. - Public nuisances affecting health.**

The following acts, omissions, places, conditions and things are specifically declared to be public health nuisances, but such enumeration shall not be construed to exclude other health nuisances coming within the definition of section 58-2:

(1)

*Adulterated food.* All decayed, harmfully adulterated or unwholesome food or drink sold or offered for sale to the public.

(2)

*Unburied carcasses.*

a.

*Nonhuman consumption.* Carcasses of animals, birds or fowl not intended for human consumption or food which are not buried or otherwise disposed of in a sanitary manner within 24 hours after death.

b.

*Human consumption.* Dead animal carcasses intended for human consumption shall be removed within 96 hours of hanging and, to the extent possible, the carcasses shall be hung in a manner to minimize public view.

(3)

*Breeding places for vermin, etc.* Accumulations of decayed animal or vegetable matter, trash, rubbish, rotting lumber, bedding, packing material, scrap metal or any material whatsoever in which flies, mosquitoes, disease-carrying insects, rats or other vermin may breed.

(4)

*Stagnant water.* All stagnant water in which mosquitoes, flies or other insects can multiply.

(5)

*Privy vaults and garbage cans.* Privy vaults and garbage cans which are not flytight.

(6)

*Noxious weeds.* All noxious weeds and other rank growth of vegetation. All grass and non-noxious weeds shall be maintained to a height not to exceed one foot. Undeveloped lots shall only be required to meet this requirement within ten feet of the street property lines (including terrace

areas) and property lines of adjacent developed parcels. The exception to this requirement is natural lawns, which are designed and purposely cultivated to

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exceed one foot in height and specifically include common species of grasses and wild flowers native to North America.

(7)

*Water pollution.* The pollution of any public well or cistern, stream, lake, canal or other body of water by sewage, creamery or industrial wastes or other substances.

(8)

*Noxious odors, etc.* Any use of property, substances or things within the city emitting or causing any foul, offensive, noisome, nauseous, noxious or disagreeable odors, gases, effluvia or stenches extremely repulsive to the physical senses of ordinary persons which annoy, discomfort, injure or inconvenience the health of any appreciable number of persons within the city.

(9)

*Street pollution.* Any use of property which shall cause any nauseous or unwholesome liquid or substance to flow into or upon any street, gutter, alley, sidewalk or public place within the city.

(10)

*Storage of junk, etc.* The open storage of junk, refuse, litter, garbage and scrap or waste matter.

(11)

~~*Box elder trees.* Any box elder tree infected with the box elder bug.~~

(12)

*Animal defecation.* All excreted animal feces which is not removed immediately and properly disposed of by burial or other suitable sanitary means by the person owning or having control of such animal.

(Code 1986, § 10.03; Ord. No. 0-20-10, § 1, 11-9-2010)

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of publication.

Dates

Council Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Published: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Donna Olson, Mayor

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Maria Hougan, Acting City Clerk