

whatsoever so as to obstruct or hinder the free passage of persons or vehicles over or along such street, alley, sidewalk, thoroughfare or public place; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent any merchant or tradesman from placing any package of merchandise, which he may be receiving or sending away, upon any sidewalk if the same does not occupy more than one-third of the width thereof, or remain thereon more than two hours. (Prior code §8-104(a)).

12.08.020 Obstruction and assembly--Restricted. No person shall conduct on any street, alley or sidewalk any exhibition or demonstration of any article or thing or process or so use any street, alley or sidewalk for private purposes as to block or obstruct the same or impede or interfere with travel and traffic thereon, nor shall any person cause a crowd or group of people to form upon or in a street, alley or sidewalk. (Prior code §8-104(b)).

12.08.030 Overhanging trees. It is unlawful for any person occupying, in charge or control of, or owning any real estate in the city, to permit the trees on such property to hang over the sidewalks, streets and alleys so that the lower limbs thereof shall be closer than eight feet to the vehicular-traveled portion of any street or alley. The owner, occupant, tenant or person in control of any real estate shall keep the trees thereon so trimmed that the limbs thereof shall not hang closer to any sidewalk, street or alley than is prescribed in this article. (Prior code §8-105).

12.08.040 Corner lot--Planting restrictions. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to plant, keep or maintain any bush, plant, tree, flower or other vision-obstructing object or fence which exceeds two feet in height measured from the ground level within twenty feet of any lot corner which is adjacent to any intersection of public streets in the city. (Prior code §8-105.1).

12.08.050 Snow removal. All persons are required to keep the sidewalks in front of, or adjacent to, the property or premises owned or occupied by them or under their control, within the city, clear and free from rubbish, filth, refuse, dirt, snow, ice and any and all obstructions and dangerous agencies of every kind and description whatsoever. (Prior code §8-107(a)).

12.08.060 Throwing snow in gutters. No person shall throw any snow from any sidewalk or building into any of the gutters along the streets of the city. (Prior code §8-107(b)).

12.08.070 Depositing debris. No person shall place any dirt, chips, straw, paper, ashes, or other rubbish upon any sidewalk, street or thoroughfare within the city. (Prior code S8-107(c)).

12.08.080 Overhanging projections. No person shall erect, or hang, or have hung, any sign, porch, shed or awning so that it will project over any street, alley or sidewalk in the city without a permit from the fire chief. (prior code S8-111).

ARTICLE II. UTILITY EASEMENTS

12.08.090 Generally. No person, firm or corporation shall hereafter use or place any obstruction in, upon or above any utility easement in the city, which shall in any manner interfere with the free and unrestricted use of the easement by any utility. (prior code S8-501).

12.08.100 Removal procedure. In the event any use or obstruction referred to in section 12.08.090 is made or placed on or in any utility easement, any utility desiring to use same for its proper purposes may require the property owner to remove same at the owner's expense, or the utility may summarily remove same without liability for damages to the property owner. However, before any utility shall so proceed, they must first request the property owner to remove same in writing and obtain the approval of the city manager, unless an emergency exists. (prior code S8-502).

12.08.110 Permanent obstructions--generally. A. No person, firm or corporation owning property abutting a city street right of way shall be permitted to place a fence, shrubs or other permanent obstruction, except mail boxes, within five feet of the back of the street curb.

B. A person, firm or corporation owning property abutting a city street right of way shall be permitted to place fences, shrubs or ornamental posts in the city right of way if they are more than five feet from the back of the street curb. (prior code S8-503).

C. An exception to the restrictions contained in paragraph A in this code shall be made permitting development of property within five (5) feet of the back of the street curb by any person, firm or corporation owning property abutting a city street right of way in "E Business District", as said district is defined in the City Code of Sikeston, subject to the provisions contained of said developments.

D. Any person, firm or corporation owning property abutting a city street right of way in "E Business District" wishing to develop their property within five (5) feet of the back of the street curb may do so, after first obtaining the approval of the City Manager or his duly appointed representative of said owner's plan showing the proposed placement, location and description of said developments. (Ord. 4600 S1, 1986).