

**Sec 9.06 Loud And Unnecessary Noise Prohibited**

- (a) *General.* No person shall make or cause to be made any **unreasonably** loud, disturbing or unnecessary sounds or noises such as may tend to annoy or disturb a person of ordinary sensibilities in or about any public street, alley or park or any private residence.
- (b) *Public Address Systems and Amplifiers.* No person shall use or operate any P.A. system, amplifier or device which increases the volume of voice, music or other sounds **tending to unreasonably so loud as to** disturb the public peace or the quiet and peacefulness of **persons in the surrounding of the** neighborhood.
- (c) *Construction and Machinery Noise.* ~~Except for City employees, b~~ Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. no person shall do construction work or operate any chain saw, lawn mower or any other loud machinery of a similar nature. **This subsection shall not apply to equipment or machinery being used for snow removal purposes, for City employees, or for emergency removal of debris caused by accident, weather conditions or other acts of God.**
- (d) *Exceptions.*
  - (1) A Noise Permit for an exception to this ordinance may be granted by the Police Department upon written request provided to the Police Chief or designee at least fourteen (14) days prior to the event that will cause noise. On Noise Permit may be granted for multiple days. The Police Chief or designee shall consider granting the Noise Permit based on the following:
    - a. The location of the noise
    - b. The purpose for the noise
    - c. Length of time the noise will be occurring
    - d. How many people the noise will impact
    - e. Whether the public health, safety, or welfare is harmed
    - f. Whether the noise impact outweighs the benefit to the public.
  - (2) The City of Dodgeville is exempt from requiring a Noise Permit as required by subsection (1) above.

**Commented [EH1]:** Added to provide some sort of standard.

**Commented [EH2]:** Added to clarify the standard.

**Commented [EH3]:** Exclude snow removal, city employees, and emergency removal of debris from this subsection.

**Commented [EH4]:** Wondering if we want to consider including this language so the police can issue noise permits that allow someone to do something that would otherwise violate this section.