



TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: November 14, 2023

Agenda Title/Category:	Revision to Panhandling Ordinances, S 74.08 & S 130.04			
Staff Contact/Presenter:	Chief Mike Hudgins			
Meets Strategic Initiative or Approved Plan:	Yes	No	If yes, list:	Council priority: Support Public Safety
	X			
Background:	Current panhandling ordinances run contrary to NC General Statutes and case law, which impacts the PD’s authority to enforce on Town streets and areas not near a State highway.			
Discussion:	Minor changes to panhandling ordinances will bring them into compliance. Moving from civil to criminal penalties provides more tools to the PD to deal with the issue.			
Fiscal impact:	None.			
Attachments:	One memorandum drafted by Chief Hudgins entitled, “Town Council Agenda Item, recommended changes to current Panhandling Ordinances”			
Recommended Motion to be made by Council:	Update verbiage of S 74.08 & S 130.04 to content Ms. Lyons’ and the PD recommend.			