ATTACHMENT A

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ORDINANCE G-7310

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE II, SECTION 30, CAMPING, OF THE PHOENIX CITY CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHOENIX as

follows:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 23, Article II, Section 30 is amended as follows:

Sec. 23-30. Camping.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to camp in or on any PUBLIC STREET OR ALLEY, SIDEWALK, RIGHTS OF WAY, park or preserve, or in any building, facility, or parking lot or structure, or on any property adjacent thereto OR OTHER PUBLIC GROUND that is owned, possessed, or controlled by the City, except as permitted in paragraph D below-.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to camp ON OR within 500 feet of any property-boundary of a PARCEL WHERE A school, child care facility, shelter, or city park IS LOCATED IF REASONABLE NOTICE OF THE CAMPING PROHIBITION IS PROVIDED, EXCEPT AS PERMITTED IN PARAGRAPH D BELOW.—provided-reasonable notice of the camping prohibition is posted.
- C. For the purposes of this section:
 - 1. The term "camp" means to use real property in the City for living accommodation purposes such as sleeping activities, or making preparations to sleep, including the laying down of bedding for the purpose of sleeping, or storing personal belongings, or making any fire, or using any tents or shelter or other structure or vehicle for sleeping or doing any digging or earth breaking or carrying on cooking activities. The above-listed activities constitute camping when it reasonably appears, in light of all the circumstances, that the participants, in conducting these activities, are in fact using the area for living accommodation purposes regardless of the intent of the participants or the nature of any other activities in which they may also be engaging.
 - 2. "Child care facility" has the meaning provided in Arizona Revised

Statutes, section 36-881(3).

- 3."REASONABLE NOTICE" INCLUDES ACTUAL OR CONSTRUCTIVE NOTICE THAT CERTAIN CONDUCT IS PROHIBITED AND MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY REASONABLE POSTING OR VERBAL NOTICE PROVIDED BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.
- 4. "School" means a place of general instruction including public and parochial schools, charter schools operating under a valid contract issued by the state or a state sponsored organization, institutions of higher education and private educational institutions offering a curriculum of general instruction comparable to public schools.
- 5. "Shelter" means a facility or outdoor space, the primary purpose of which is to provide free or low-cost Temporary or transitional living accommodations or camping to homeless persons.
- D. The Director of the Parks and Recreation Department may, in accordance with the Parks and Recreation Department's established procedures, issue special use permits or reservations to authorize youth organizations to camp or park vehicles overnight in a park or preserve. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit camping or overnight parking sponsored by the City of Phoenix.

E. PENALTY:

- A person convicted of this section is guilty of a class 3 misdemeanor. for a first offense, notwithstanding ARS §13-802, any fine imposed must not exceed one hundred dollars.
- 2. Consistent with ARS §13-717, in addition to or in lieu of any sentence imposed pursuant to this section, the court may sentence a person to perform community restitution or order a term of education or treatment.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective on November 2, 2024.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Phoenix this 2nd day of October

2024.	
	MAYOR
ATTEST:	Date:
Denise Archibald, City Clerk	

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Julie M. Kriegh, City Attorney

By:			

REVIEWED BY:

Jeffrey Barton, City Manager

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