

An Ordinance concerning offenses in the nature of Misdemeanors.

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of LaJara:

Section 1. Whenever the word, "misdemeanor" occurs in the Ordinances of the Town of LaJara, it shall be construed to mean and stand in lieu of, a violation of Ordinance.

Section 2. Any person who shall make, or assist in making any improper noise, riot, disturbance of the peace, or who shall use profane, obscene, indecent, vulgar or offensive language to any person or in any public place in the Town of LaJara shall upon conviction be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 3. Any two or more persons who shall quarrel in a boisterous manner, or shall fight within the limits of the Town of LaJara shall upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 4. Any person or persons who shall disturb any lawful assemblage of people within the limits of the Town of LaJara, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

✓ Section 5. Any person who shall within the limits of the Town of LaJara, fire or discharge any firearm, or shall explode any explosives, fire-crackers, or fire-works of any description without a proper permit from the Town Officers, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Ord 116
Repealed
~~Section 6. Any person who shall assault, beat, or commit assault and battery, upon any person within Town, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

Section 7. Any person who shall be drunk or in a state of intoxication in any public place within the limits of the Town of LaJara, or who shall be

drunk and disorderly any place within the limits of the Town of LaJara, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Ord #116

Repealed

Section 8. Any person who shall carry concealed on or about his person, any fire-arm, Bowie or other knife with a snap-blade or a blade over 3 inches long, or a razor, or knucks or any other deadly weapon, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 9. Any able-bodied person, who, without any means of support, shall live idly, loitering in public places within the limits of the Town of LaJara, or who shall trespass at night upon the private premises of others without giving a good account of himself, or who shall beg or receive alms, or who shall have in his possession tools or things commonly used for the commission of burglary without being able to properly explain his possession of the same, shall upon conviction, be deemed a vagrant and guilty of a misdemeanor. On trial therefor, the defendant may introduce testimony of his general character in defense, to disprove such charges.

Section 10.

Repealed
Ord #116

Any person who shall set up, have, or keep, or who shall assist in so doing, any gambling device or thing whatever, or any gambling games with which any money or valuable thing shall in any manner be played for, or any person who shall play at any game, or with any device or thing, for money or any valuable thing, or shall bet upon any such game, device or thing, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 11.

Repealed
Ord #116

Any person who shall keep a disorderly, or gambling house, or shall allow any premises owned by him, or under his control to be used for any gambling game, device or thing, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

*Repealed
Ord # 116*

Section 12. Any person or persons who shall maintain or keep, or shall assist in maintaining or keeping, any bawdy house, house of ill-fame, assignation house, or place for the practice of fornication, or any person who shall permit any house or premises owned by him or under his control, to be used for such purposes, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

*Repealed
Ord # 116*

Section 13. Any woman who shall engage in the practice of prostitution within the limits of the Town of LaJara, or who shall, by word, gesture, or representation within the limits of the Town of LaJara, attempt to engage in the practice of prostitution elsewhere, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

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Section 14. Any person who shall appear in a public place within the limits of the Town of LaJara, in an indecent dress, or shall indecently expose his or her person, or shall act or talk in an indecent, lewd or obscene manner, in any public place shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

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*Repealed
Ord # 116*

Section 15. Any person who shall sell, display, or distribute, any vulgar, lewd or obscene books, pictures, pamphlets, or objects, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

*Repealed
Ord # 116*

Section 16. Any person who shall sell, distribute, or give alcoholic liquors or beverages, or tobacco, to any child under the age of 16 years without the written order of a parent or guardian of said child, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 17. Any person who shall destroy or deface any public property or any private property of others by throwing missiles against, scratching, carving, writing upon, branding, breaking, or in any other manner injuring or who shall fill

up or obstruct any ditch, drain or sewer, shall upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 18. Any person who shall throw, deposit or place upon any street or alley within the limits of the Town of LaJara, any nails, glass, wire, or other sharp objects or articles apt or liable to puncture the rubber tires of vehicles, or shall throw, place or leave any dead animals or decayed or spoiled matter or thing apt to cause disease or become offensive in any public place within the limits of said Town, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 19. Any person who shall obstruct a street, alley, or sidewalk by any construction, excavation, or other action, without properly marking and lighting the same, and without a permit therefor from the proper Town Officers, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 20. Any person who shall aid or assist or attempt to aid or assist any person confined in the Town Jail to escape from such confinement, or shall introduce or attempt to introduce any alcoholic liquors or beverages to an inmate, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 21. Any person who shall drive or herd any livestock whatever along any public street or alley within Town, without sufficient competent persons in charge to properly control said livestock, or who shall suffer or permit said livestock to trample, deface or injure any public or private property, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 22. The Town Marshal or any police officer of the Town of LaJara, is authorized to call upon any resident of the Town of LaJara over the age of eighteen years to assist in making any arrest

for the violation of any ordinance of said Town. Any person who, when so called, shall fail or refuse to assist said officer, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 23. Any person who shall give false or perjured testimony in any trial in the Police Magistrate Court of the Town of LaJara, or shall induce, or attempt to induce any witness to give perjured testimony or to conceal himself to avoid giving testimony, by bribery, threats, or coercion, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

✓ Section 24. Any person who shall aid, abet, conceal, or attempt to conceal the commission of an misdemeanor within the limits of the Town of LaJara, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 25. Any person who shall resist arrest by the Town Marshal or any police officer of said Town, or (who shall obstruct or attempt to obstruct said officer in making an arrest,) or shall threaten, assault, or strike any such police officer while said police officer is in the course of his duties, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 26. Any person who shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor under the provisions of this ordinance, or under the provisions of any other ordinance of the Town of LaJara, which does not specifically set forth a penalty for violation thereof, shall be fined in any sum not less than Three dollars, nor more than Three Hundred (\$300.00) dollars, or committed to the Town Jail for not less than one (1) day nor more than ninety (90) days.

Section 27. Any person against whom any fine shall be assessed as a penalty for commission of a misdemeanor who shall refuse or neglect to pay the same shall be committed to the Town Jail, and shall labor on

the streets of the said Town until said fine and all costs are fully paid, to be allowed at the rate of two dollars per day for each eight hour day of faithful work. Any person who shall refuse or neglect to work on said streets as ordered, shall forfeit or pay to the Town two dollars for each day he shall refuse or neglect to work, Provided, that no single term of imprisonment shall exceed ninety (90) days.

Section 28. All Ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with all or any part of this ordinance heretofore in effect are hereby repealed.

Section 29. This ordinance shall become effective five days after publication as is provided by law.

Passed, Adopted and Approved this 5th day of January, 1954.

J. W. Braiden
Mayor

Bonnie J. Sullivan
Clerk