Chapter 500. Zoning

Article XXVIII. Noise Control

§ 500-2804. Specific prohibited acts.

- A. No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit to be made verbally or mechanically any noise disturbance.
- B. No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit the following acts:
 - (1) Operating, playing or permitting the operation or playing any radio, television, phonograph or similar device that reproduces or amplifies sound in such a manner as to create a noise disturbance for any person other than the operator of the device;
 - (2) Using or operating any loudspeaker, public address system, or similar device between 9:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. the following day, such that the sound therefrom creates a noise disturbance across a residential real property line;
 - (3) Owning, possessing or harboring any animal or bird that frequently or for continued duration generates sounds that create a noise disturbance across a residential real property line;
 - (4) Loading, unloading, opening, closing or other handling of boxes, crates, containers, building materials, liquids, garbage cans, refuse or similar objects, or the pneumatic or pumped loading or unloading of bulk materials in liquid, gaseous, powder or pellet form, or the compacting of refuse by persons engaged in the business of scavenging or garbage collection, whether private or municipal, between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. the following day on a weekday or between 9:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. the following day on a weekend day or legal holiday, except by permit, when the sound therefrom creates a noise disturbance across a residential property line;
 - (5) Operating or permitting the operation of any motor vehicle whose manufacturer's gross weight rating is in excess of 10,000 pounds or any auxiliary equipment attached to such a vehicle, for a period of longer than five minutes in any hour while the vehicle is stationary for reasons other than traffic congestion or emergency work on a public right-of-way or public space within 150 feet of a residential area between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. the following day; and
 - (6) Operating or permitting the operation of any tools or equipment used in construction, drilling, earthmoving, excavating or demolition work between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the following day on a weekday or at any time on a weekend day or legal holiday, except for emergency work; by variance issued pursuant to § 500-2806; or when the sound level does not exceed any applicable relative or absolute limit specified in § 500-2803A.