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Council Amends Solicitors Ordinance

On November 14, the City Council approved the first read of the code of ordinances adjusting hours and days of operation for solicitors and peddlers in Highland Village. The time allotted for solicitors and peddlers is now 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday with no soliciting on Sunday. The ordinance previously allowed solicitation until sunset.

Council approved the repeal of the financial policies ordinance. The City's financial policies provide the guidelines for staff in planning and directing the day-to-day financial operations. Staff has conducted a comprehensive review and update of the policies to conform to current practice and changes to state law and developed a replacement financial policy which includes a debt management policy. The proposed policies along with a debt management policy will be considered and approved by resolution, as specified in the City Charter, and will coincide with the second read of the ordinance repealing the existing policies. The existing policies were last updated in 2002.

Police Chief Doug Reim gave a presentation on options for regulating golf carts, neighborhood electric vehicles (NEV) and low speed vehicles (LSV) in Highland Village. Recent changes to state law and the increase in popularity of these vehicles in Highland Village prompted the discussion. Current state law allows golf carts, NEV's and LSV's in master planned communities and allows delivery companies such as UPS and FedEx to use them throughout the city. Council is considering options for achieving the right balance of safety and desired use within the city. These options include, and are not limited to, taking no action, prohibiting their use city-wide or authorizing their use with certain restrictions and regulations. Council will further consider golf cart use at their next meeting on December 12.

During the Mayor's comments Councilman Fred Busche encouraged residents to clean up after their dogs when walking them on city trails, parks, sidewalks and streets.

City Manager Michael Leavitt presented Mayor Wilcox with a proclamation from Senator Jane Nelson congratulating Mayor Wilcox on receiving the designation as the Best Mayor of Denton County.

The [HVTV Update](#) informed residents of Our Village Glows to take place at The Shops at Highland Village on Saturday, November 18 beginning at 5:00 p.m. and Jay Marks with Foodie Friday took residents on a tour of the Highland Village Farmers Market.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Spectrum 15; Frontier 43) and via website streaming by searching HVTV. The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city [website](#).