

SUBJECT: Anti-solicitation Ordinance

PREPARED BY: Chief Fannon

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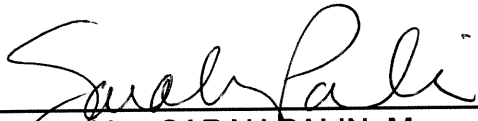
FOR AGENDA OF: Mayor Palin

SUMMARY: Due to recent solicitations conducted in our city it is clear that we do not have any ordinances in city code which protect our citizens from "scam artists". If anyone wishes to sell door-to-door within our city limits, all they need is a business license. There are also no state laws which compel a district attorney to bring charges against a salesman for unethical or unprincipled conduct while solicitations are taking place.

There is also the question of how does the city collect sales tax from solicitations that occur when door-to-door sales people come thru once or twice a year, spend two or three days here and then move on.

FISCAL IMPACT: Probably more police time, but how much is unknown.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Does the council support taking a look at putting into place an ordinance which would give us the ability to limit solicitation by unethical sales people?



Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Attachments:

APPROVED
DATE: 5/11/98
BY: Karen Yoder