

(GENERAL)

COMPTROLLER 263824
FILE NUMBER

Comptroller File No. 263824

PETITION
OF

MR. HERST PETZOLD FOR AMENDMENT OF
NOISE ORDINANCE (90007) RE BOUNCING
BALLS.

6-9-69 - Police
6-18-69 - papers taken up 6-25-69
6-25-69 - [unclear]
7-2-69 - file

FILED JUNE 9, 1969

C. G. ERLANDSON
COMPTROLLER AND CITY CLERK

BY *[Signature]* DEPUTY

ACTION OF THE COUNCIL

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

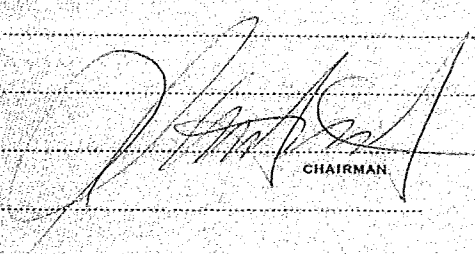
Mr. President:

Your PUBLIC SAFETY Committee

to which was referred the within petition

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that.....

THE SAME BE PLACED ON FILE.



CHAIRMAN

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June 19, 1969

Mr. Harot Patzold
3935 Elmgrove Avenue Southwest
Seattle, Washington 98116

Dear Mr. Patzold:

This is to inform you that the Public Safety Committee of the City Council will consider your petition (C.F. 263824) requesting amendment of Noise Ordinance (90007) regarding bouncing balls, at its meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 1969 in the City Council Chambers, Room 1101, Seattle Municipal Building.

You and/or your representative are invited to attend and participate in the discussion.

Very truly yours,

Clayton W. Leming
Legislative Assistant

CWL/eh

F. C. RAMON
CHIEF OF POLICE

THE CITY OF SEATTLE

OUR NO. _____
YOUR NO. _____

DEPARTMENT OF

POLICE

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104

June 12, 1969

Councilman Sam Smith
Chairman
Public Safety Committee
The City Council
City of Seattle

Dear Sir:

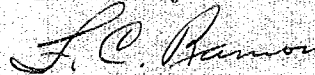
Returned herewith is Council File No. 263824, being the petition of Mr. Horst Petzold for an ordinance prohibiting bouncing balls.

The petition contains a suggested ordinance adoption which would prohibit the bouncing of balls any place in the city if it annoyed or disturbed anyone. I would assume the petitioner has some problems with basketball or similar type activities. The address of Mr. Petzold is several blocks from a school ground or playfield, so, again assuming some people in his area have put up basketball hoops and the children use them.

This situation is common throughout the City of Seattle, but to my knowledge this is the first complaint that has ever been registered. The suggested amendment would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to enforce because of the ambiguity of the language. For example, the definition of "steady and repeated bouncing" and "to annoy or disturb the quiet comfort or repose of persons" is also difficult to define. Applied literally, this ordinance could prohibit the playing of basketball any place in the City of Seattle.

It is recommended the petition be filed without action.

Yours truly



F. C. RAMON
Chief of Police

FCR:am
Enclosed file

LAW OFFICE OF
ESTHER JANE JOHNSON
734 CENTRAL BUILDING
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98104

MUTUAL 2-0363

June 3, 1969

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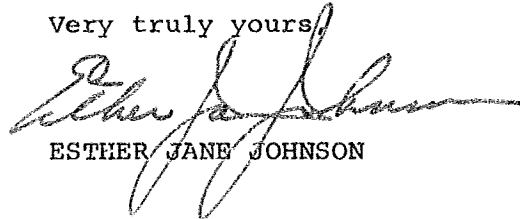
~~Mrs. Arthur V. Lamphere~~
City Council Member
Municipal Building
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Mrs. Lamphere:

I am writing to you on behalf of Mr. Horst Petzold of 3935 Elmgrove Ave. S.W., Seattle 98116, who advises me that he had a conference with you on May 16, 1969 relating to the adoption of an ordinance to prohibit annoying noises due to people constantly bouncing a ball on a hard surface.

He asked me to prepare a proposed ordinance which might be adopted to cover this problem and I am today mailing a copy of the enclosed to the Seattle City Council. He would appreciate your taking any steps you may deem appropriate in order to accomplish his purpose.

Very truly yours,


ESTHER JANE JOHNSON

EJJ:ams
Encl.

cc: Mr. Horst Petzold

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SEATTLE CITY ORDINANCE NO. 90007

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Proposed amendment-- add the following:

"Bouncing Balls. The steady and repeated bouncing of a ball on a pavement or other hard surface in a public place or in any other place so as to annoy or disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of persons in any dwelling or residence in the vicinity."

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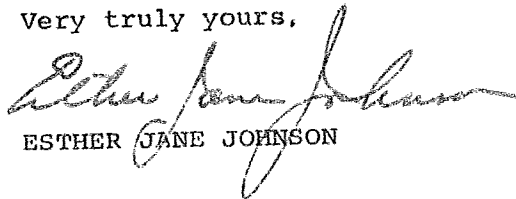
Seattle City Council
Seattle Municipal Building
Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Members of the City Council:

I am writing to you on behalf of Mr. Horst Petzold who resides at 3935 Elmgrove Ave. S.W., Seattle 98116, to request that an addition be made to the present city ordinance relating to noise. I am enclosing a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 90007 and submit the same for your consideration.

Mr. Petzold would appreciate being notified when the matter comes on for public hearing as he would like to urge the adoption of an ordinance in the form of the enclosed proposal.

Very truly yours,


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cc: Mr. Horst Petzold

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June 9, 1969

Honorable F. C. Ramon
Chief of Police
City of Seattle

Dear Chief Ramon:

Attached is File No. 263824, petition of Mr. Horst
Petzold for amendment of Noise Ordinance (90007) re. bouncing
balls.

Please return the file, together with your report
and recommendation in duplicate.

Very truly yours,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

SAM SMITH, Chairman

CWL/eh
Att.