

# Rules Committee – Proposed Sideshow Ordinance Presentation

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# Proposed Ordinance

## **Spectators Prohibited at Sideshow Events**

- It is unlawful for any person to knowingly be a Spectator at a Side Show Event conducted on a public street or highway or off-street parking facility
- It is unlawful for any person to knowingly be a Spectator at the location of preparations for a Sideshow Event on a public street or off-street parking facility.

## **Violations**

- Misdemeanor and/or
- \$1,000 fine

# Side Show Definition

A side show is defined as an occasion where one or more persons, for the purpose of performing a Street Race or Reckless Driving Exhibition for one or more Spectator(s) either blocks or impedes traffic on a street or highway or impedes access to an off-street parking facility.



# Spectator Definition

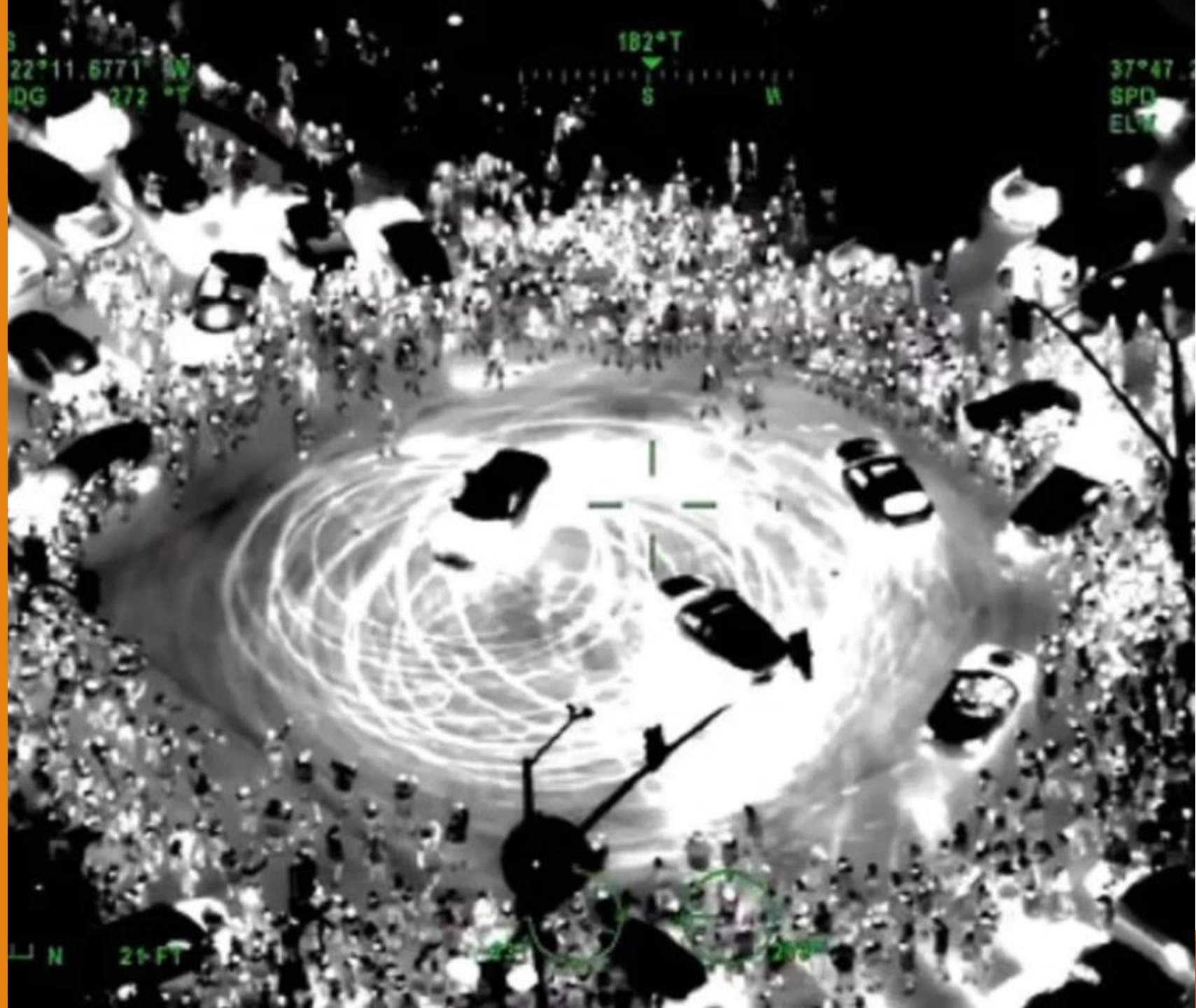
“Spectator” shall mean any person who is present at a Sideshow Event, or the site of the Preparations for a Sideshow Event, for the purpose of viewing, observing, watching, or witnessing the Sideshow Event as it progresses. A “Spectator” includes any person at the location of the Sideshow Event that may have participated in preparations and/or promoting the Sideshow Event.





# Present Definition

“Present” at a Sideshow Event means a person is within two hundred (200) feet of the location of the Sideshow Event, or within two hundred (200) feet of the site of the Preparations for any Sideshow Event.



# Side Show Statistics

2021 – 76

2022 – 55

2023 – 43 (YTD)



# Regional Sideshow Enforcement Team (ReSET)

- Established in 2023
- Partnership with Alameda County Sheriff's Office, California Highway Patrol, Hayward Police Department and San Leandro Police Department
- Mission: focused on the reduction of dangerous and unlawful gatherings known as "sideshows," reckless driving, and associated violent crime through pro-active enforcement within Hayward, San Leandro, and unincorporated Alameda County.



# Similar Ordinances

**Alameda County**

**City of Oakland**

**City of San Jose**

**City of Hayward (under consideration)**



# QUESTIONS?