



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2026-05  
WITH STAFF AMENDMENT #1**

**(STAFF AMENDMENT #1 IS INDICATED IN GREEN TEXT)**

1 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOVER, IN**  
2 **COUNCIL MET:**

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4 That Chapter 70- Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Section 70-4- Throwing and kicking  
5 objects and playing games in the streets and public places, is amended by inserting the text  
6 indicated in bold, blue, italics, and deleting the text indicated in red strikethrough as follows:  
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8 **Sec. 70-4. ~~Throwing and kicking objects and P~~playing games, and storing equipment in**  
9 **streets and public places.**

10 (a) It shall be unlawful **between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.** for any person to  
11 throw, kick, or project, in any manner whatsoever, any ~~stone,~~ ball, or other object in the  
12 city streets and public places, or to play or practice athletic games, quoits, pitching  
13 pennies, and like games on the city streets and public places, ~~unless those places are~~  
14 ~~specifically designated for those purposes by lawful authority.~~

15 (b) **It shall be unlawful for any person to ~~set up or store or at any time, leave~~**  
16 **unattended for thirty minutes or more, play equipment or other similar objects in**  
17 **streets, public right-of-way, or any area where pedestrian or vehicular traffic could**  
18 **be hindered or impeded within the corporate limits of the city, unless those places**  
19 **are specifically designated for those purposes by lawful authorities.**

20 (c) **Play equipment is defined as any structure or object designed for recreational play**  
21 **use. This includes, but is not limited to, basketball goals, nets, ramps, swings, slides,**  
22 **and climbing frames.**

23 **Charter reference - Power of council to regulate use of streets, subpart A, § 29.**

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25 Proposed ADOPTED: \*

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27 **SYNOPSIS**

28 This ordinance amends provisions related to basketball goals and other play equipment. The  
29 amendments clarify requirements for the storage of such equipment, particularly prohibiting  
30 placement within the street, and establish a definition of play equipment.  
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(SPONSORS: NEIL, SUDLER)

Actions History

06/23/2026 – Staff Amendment #1 Scheduled for Introduction – Council Committee of the Whole/Legislative, Finance, and Administration Committee  
05/12/2026 - Introduction - Council Committee of the Whole/Legislative, Finance, and Administration Committee (referred back to Staff)