



Blocking a city sidewalk could be made illegal if a proposed new ordinance aimed at aggressive panhandlers goes into effect. GARY GRASS/EMERALD

## City considers anti-crime ordinances

**Crime:** Proposals may keep criminals out of high-crime areas and clear sidewalks

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The Human Rights Committee for the Eugene City Council is discussing three proposals aimed at preventing crime and panhandling in the city.

Later this month the city attorney and the Human Rights Committee will meet to clean up the language of the proposals before final recommendations are made, Sgt. Tim McCarthy of the Eugene police department said.

One of the ordinances, aimed at panhandlers, says that a person or a group of people cannot block a sidewalk. They cannot "threaten a person to the point where a person believes they are in danger," McCarthy said.

A common problem, he said, was that panhandlers were approaching people nicely, but then when they were denied a handout, the panhandlers began terrorizing the citizens with profanity.

At various points during the discussions people questioned the wording of the proposals. "Once it is explained, everybody agrees that if it is not a free

speech issue, then go for it," McCarthy said.

The second proposal combines two ordinances. Stay Out of Drug Areas (SODA) and Stay Out of Areas of Prostitution (SOAP) are designed to help keep recurring criminals out of areas of high crime.

The proposal sets up a process where the city manager can declare that an area is under siege by prostitution or drug dealers. To have the SODA or SOAP laws apply, a person must have been convicted in the last six months and then must have a sec-

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## University AAA dean will resign in April

**Relocate:** Jerry Finrow to take job at the University of Washington's architecture school

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The dean of the University School of Architecture and Allied Arts will resign in April to become the dean of the University of Washington's College of Architecture and Urban Planning.

Jerry Finrow has been dean of the architecture school since 1991 and part of the faculty since 1968.

"I was very attracted by the opportunity to work in an urban setting," Finrow said.

"The University of Washington is a top-10 public research university with a very strong set of programs in the environmental design fields," he said. "I was attracted to the position there because of the new opportunities."

But he is stepping down after winter term for a \$116,000-a-year salary at Washington. His salary is currently \$89,500.

"There is a significant salary increase, but the cost of living in Seattle is much higher," he said.

The University of Washington architecture school enrolls approximately 600 student majors, has more than 100 full- and part-time faculty members and an annual budget of more than \$4 million.

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FINROW

## Student senator resigns, plans to leave University

**Hearing:** Two officers ask for \$145 stipend to be revoked

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Student Senator John Howe announced his resignation Wednesday from the senate and the ASUO Programs Finance Committee.

Howe is the second senator ASUO President Leslie Warren has replaced by appointment this year. Jamala Edwards took the place of Josh Schafer, who was elected by the student body last spring but failed to claim the position.

Howe has dropped out of the University and plans to continue his education at Lane Com-

munity College. "It's just too expensive to go to UO anymore, with all these new technology fees and everything," he said.

At the Dec. 5 Senate meeting, Senators Sarah Keech and Joey Lyons motioned to revoke Howe's \$145 November stipend. The motion, which the senate will decide during the Jan. 10 meeting, alleges that Howe last term did not fulfill his senate and finance committee duties.

"It was a general consensus on the senate that he wasn't doing his job," Senator Dave Reed said. "John is a finance senator, and with the budgets coming in, people were saying, 'Where's John?'"

"It was really a lot of work

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### GOOD MORNING

► **CONWAY, Ark. (AP)** — A man who used a Monopoly piece to escape from custody is headed to the same place as a player who rolls six while on Illinois Avenue.

Directly to jail.

Donald W. Bissell and two other prisoners escaped from the Faulkner County jail on Nov. 6 using a wheelbarrow piece from a Monopoly game to unscrew about 20 bolts on a vent cover.

Bissell, 24, was arrested Wednesday in Kentucky during a routine traffic stop, said Sheriff Bob Blankenship.

The three inmates, one of whom remains a fugitive, broke through two inches of concrete, climbed onto the roof, and used a rope fashioned from a cloth mattress cover to scale down the three-story building.

Bissell is charged in

**POP QUIZ**

1. How young can a person be legally married?

2. In what state?

1. Male-17, Female-15  
2. Mississippi

SOURCE: 1995 World Almanac

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Arkansas with being an accomplice to rape.

► **NEW YORK (AP)** — When Rod Stewart left a New Year's Day concert in Rio de Janeiro in an ambulance, it wasn't because he was exhausted, his manager said Wednesday.

The unusual departure was

arranged to protect the pop singer and maintain order in the record-setting audience of 3.5 million people on Copacabana beach, manager Arnold Stiefel said.

Brazilian reports of the concert said Stewart, who turns 50 next Tuesday, had to receive oxygen for exhaustion, which he reportedly blamed on playing soccer earlier in the day and overeating.

Stewart's manager denied that.

"When he got into the ambulance, they ... may have had oxygen with them, but he didn't use it," Stiefel said by telephone from Los Angeles. He said Stewart returned to Los Angeles as planned on Monday.

"He's fine," Stiefel said. "He's in great shape. He went to soccer practice last night."