

Safety enhancement zones have been adopted by the San Luis Obispo City Council as a tool for helping public safety manage adverse behaviors that significantly increase during impacted times of the year. The safety enhancement zone ordinance is as follows:

**San Luis Obispo Municipal Code**

**9.22.040 City of San Luis Obispo safety enhancement zone**

- A. The entire area within the city limits of San Luis Obispo is designated a safety enhancement zone during the Mardi Gras period, effective from 12:01 a.m. on the Thursday preceding "Fat Tuesday" until 7:00 a.m. on the Wednesday following "Fat Tuesday."
- B. The entire area within the city limits of San Luis Obispo is designated a safety enhancement zone from 12:01 am on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) until 7:00 am on March 18 of each year.
- C. The entire area within the city limits of San Luis Obispo is designated a safety enhancement zone from 12:01 am on October 31 (Halloween) until 7:00 am on November 1 of each year. If Halloween falls on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the safety enhancement zone period will be effective at 12:01 am on the Thursday falling on or preceding October 31 until 7:00 am on the Monday following October 31.
- D. The entire area within the city limits of San Luis Obispo is designated a safety enhancement zone from 12:01 am on the first day of Cal Poly University's housing move-in day until 7:00 am of the Monday following the first weekend of the fall academic school year.

During safety enhancement zones, fines are doubled for the following municipal code violations: noise, unruly gathering, social host, public urination and open container.

For confirmation on the exact dates of safety enhancement zones, contact Neighborhood Outreach Manager Christine Wallace at 805-781-7186 or [cwallace@slocity.org](mailto:cwallace@slocity.org).