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From: **John Maddux** <[jmaddux@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:jmaddux@ashevillenc.gov)>  
Date: Thu, Jun 2, 2022 at 11:15  
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Date: Thu, Jun 2, 2022 at 7:20 AM  
Subject: Fwd: Citizen Times RE: Felony littering charges  
To: John Maddux <[jmaddux@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:jmaddux@ashevillenc.gov)>

John,

Could you take a look at the email from ACT received by the mayor below? I'm trying to help her put together some responses to this request and I may need some of your APD institutional knowledge.

Thanks,

Brad R. Branham  
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From: **Esther Manheimer** <[esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com](mailto:esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com)>  
Date: Thu, Jun 2, 2022, 6:33 AM  
Subject: Fwd: Citizen Times RE: Felony littering charges  
To: Brad Branham <[bbranham@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:bbranham@ashevillenc.gov)>

Need some help answering this please

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From: **Honosky, Sarah** <[SHonosky@citizentimes.com](mailto:SHonosky@citizentimes.com)>  
Date: Wed, Jun 1, 2022 at 5:28 PM  
Subject: Citizen Times RE: Felony littering charges  
To: Esther Manheimer <[esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com](mailto:esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com)>

Hi Mayor Manheimer,Â

Hope you're doing well! I'm working on a story about the individuals who have been charged with felony littering by APD in connection with December protests in Aston Park.

I know it hasn't been publicly discussed by council, but it's come up at some public comment sessions during council meetings, and I was hoping to get some perspective.Â Â

It looks as though there has only been one felony littering case in Buncombe County in the past 10 years, and I was hoping to learn why the city was pursuing these charges.

Also, a majority of those charged have been banned from all city parks for three years, though none have yet been convicted, and I was hoping you could weigh in.Â

I also wanted to ask if you had ever dealt with/heard of felony littering charges before.Â

Thanks so much,Â

**Sarah Honosky**  
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