

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-22

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 351.17 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF HIRAM REGARDING PAID PARKING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, The Village Council has determined that there is a need for legislation to address paid parking and its enforcement within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village had recently amended Village Ordinance Chapters 309 and 351 to update its parking rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Village further wishes to amend existing Section 351.17 to incorporate its Parking Violations Bureau and the usage of any third-party parking vendor; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Hiram, Portage County, Ohio a majority or more of the members thereto concurring that:


SECTION 1: The Village of Hiram Codified Ordinances are amended by the enactment of the changes to 351.17 as is set forth in the attached Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that the deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 3: The Village Council finds that this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure, effective immediately upon its passage in order to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the Village and for the further reason that it is essential as the Village of Hiram is securing a parking system for the benefit of its residents.


First Reading: August 13, 2024 (TABLED)

PASSED IN COUNCIL on second reading as an emergency this 10th day of September, 2024




Mayor Anne Haynam

ATTEST:


Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung

Approved as to Form:



Village Solicitor Charles V. Gasior

Susan DeYoung, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Hiram, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing ~~Resolution or Ordinance~~ No. 2024-22 has been duly posted in the required 5 places.

9/11/24 Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung
Date Fiscal Officer, Village of Hiram

Exhibit A

351.17 Paid Parking

- (a) Paid Parking Zones. The establishment, placement, and configuration of paid parking zones on Village streets shall be on all street parking, excluding where posted with signage with time limits, Village roads and state highways, as directed by the Village administration.
- (b) Prohibited Parking. No person shall park a vehicle in any area on a Village street or parking lot that is designated as a paid parking zone without having made the required payment for the time in which the vehicle is parked in the paid parking zone.
- (c) Enforcement Hours. Payment of parking within paid parking zones shall be required twenty-one (21) hours per day, from 5:00 AM to 2:00 AM seven (7) days per week, unless otherwise indicated by the Mayor and/or Village Administrator.
- (d) Rates. The paid parking rates shall be established by the Mayor and/or Village Administrator in accordance with any agreement with the Village parking system vendor.
- (e) Separate Offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed if the vehicle remains in violation of subsection (b) after a period of six (6) hours after the initial citation is issued.
- (f) Village, Public Utility and Emergency Vehicles. Whenever it is necessary for Village, Public Utility, or Emergency Vehicles to park in paid parking zones in order to conduct service calls or other public business, they may be permitted to do so at no cost.
- (g) Parking Violations Bureau. Pursuant to Village of Hiram Ordinance No. 2023-25, the Village has previously established a Parking Violations Bureau in accordance with Ohio R.C. Chapter 4521. All parking infractions issued pursuant to this section shall not be considered a criminal offense, and instead, shall be handled in accordance with the provisions, requirements, penalties, and procedures contained within that Parking Violations Bureau Ordinance. (Ord. 2023-25 passed February 13, 2024).