

VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-14

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NO-PARKING ZONE WITHIN FORTY (40) FEET OF ALL MARKED AND UNMARKED CROSSWALKS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF HAMERSVILLE, OHIO; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; EXCLUDING THE INTERSECTION OF STATE ROUTE 125 AND STATE ROUTE 774; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Hamersville finds that vehicles parked in close proximity to crosswalks create visibility hazards for motorists, pedestrians, and children; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that establishing a uniform setback from crosswalks will improve pedestrian safety and reduce the likelihood of accidents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Hamersville, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1

The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote pedestrian and vehicular safety by prohibiting parking within forty (40) feet of all marked and unmarked crosswalks located within the Village of Hamersville.

SECTION 2

For purposes of this Ordinance, "Crosswalk" shall include both marked and unmarked crosswalks as recognized by Ohio law. "Parking" shall mean the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except while actively loading or unloading passengers.

SECTION 3

No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle within forty (40) feet of any marked or unmarked crosswalk located within the Village of Hamersville. The forty (40) foot distance shall be measured from the nearest edge of the crosswalk, whether marked or unmarked.

The Village Administrator, Mayor, Street Department, or Police Department may install signs, curb markings, pavement markings, or other traffic control devices deemed necessary to identify or assist in identifying areas subject to the parking restrictions established by this Ordinance. The absence of such signs or markings shall not relieve any person from compliance with this Ordinance.

SECTION 4

The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to the intersection of State Route 125 and State Route 774. Parking restrictions at that intersection shall continue to be governed by applicable state regulations and existing traffic control measures.

SECTION 5

This Ordinance shall be enforced by the Village Police Department and any other law enforcement officer authorized to enforce traffic and parking regulations within the Village.

SECTION 6

Whoever violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be punished as provided by the General Penalty provisions of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Hamersville and applicable provisions of Ohio law. Each separate occurrence shall constitute a separate offense. In addition to the issuance of a criminal citation, any vehicle found in violation of this Ordinance may be removed or impounded in accordance with applicable Village ordinances and Ohio law.

SECTION 7

If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8

This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare and shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the Mayor.

FIRST READING: _____

SECOND READING: _____

PASSED: July 9, 2020

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 9, 2020

Justin Jones
Justin Jones, Mayor

Melissa J. Zahn
Melissa Zahn, Fiscal Officer