

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-18

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING TITLE 7 CHAPTER 351.16 OF THE TRAFFIC CODE

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Hiram, Ohio wants to adopt a snow emergency parking ban; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Council of the Village of Hiram that certain changes should be made to their Ordinance.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 351.16 of the Village of Hiram Codified Ordinances as is set forth in full on the attached Exhibit "A" is hereby enacted.

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.

PASSED IN COUNCIL: First Reading: November 8, 2022
Second Reading: December 13, 2022
Third Reading: January 10, 2023 — **TABLED**
PASSED : MARCH 14, 2023



Mayor Lou Bertrand

ATTEST:


Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung

Approved as to Form:



Village Solicitor Thomas Reitz

I SUSAN DEYOUNG, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Hiram, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing ~~Resolution or Ordinance~~ No. 2022-18 has been duly posted in the required 5 places.
3/15/2023 Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung
Date Fiscal Officer, Village of Hiram

Exhibit A

351.16. SNOW EMERGENCY.

- (a) In order to facilitate the cleaning of streets and to expedite the free flow of vehicular traffic, motor vehicles shall not be parked on any public street, highway, thoroughfare, alley or public roadway within the Village of Hiram at such times as the Village Administrator or Chief of Police declares an emergency due to hazards of snow or ice.
- (b) Whenever, during any period of twenty-four hours or less, snow falls in the Village or in any section thereof to a depth of two (2) inches or more, an emergency ~~may be~~ declared to exist in that such a depth of snow constitutes a serious public hazard.
- (c) The Village Administrator or Chief of Police, or either of them ~~may~~ shall announce the existence of each emergency. Such declaration shall be made through public announcement (i.e local press, Village website, police department website, Rave 911 app, Hiram College Emergency texts, other Social Media, or other method determined by the Village Administrator or Police Chief to be appropriate and feasible). Such emergency shall continue until an announcement by the Village Administrator or Chief of Police by public announcement that the emergency is terminated.
- (d) The owners and/or operators of motor vehicles shall have the responsibility of determining existing weather conditions and depth or extent of snowfall and shall comply with emergency parking regulations when such an emergency is in effect and remove parked automobiles if the weather conditions are such as to require their removal under the terms of this section.
- (e) During such emergency, no person shall park or cause to be parked or permit to be parked, or abandon or leave unattended, any motor vehicle of any kind or description on any Village street and on all highways in the Village. However, vehicles may be parked for a period of not longer than five (5) minutes for the actual loading or unloading of passengers or sixty (60) minutes for the actual loading or unloading of property or goods, provided that the operator of such vehicle is immediately available, and provided further that no other section of this chapter or ordinance of the Village restricting parking as to the time or place is violated.
- (f) Starting, with one hour after the public announcement and until the period of emergency has passed, any motor vehicle parked in violation of this section may be towed away and subject to a parking fine of \$30 and any and all towing expenses, in addition to any penalty provided for a violation of this section.

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~~(d)~~ During the period of a level one emergency, no person shall park any vehicle upon any street in the Village designated as an Emergency Snow Route. Such routes are marked by street sign. During the period of a level two emergency, no person shall park any vehicle upon any street in the City.

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