

ORDINANCE NO. 1977-1

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS, DRIVES, ALLEYS AND ANY OTHER PUBLIC THOROUGHFARES IN PERIODS OF HEAVY SNOWFALL IN SUGAR BUSH KNOLLS VILLAGE PROVIDING A PENALTY THEREFORE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Sugar Bush Knolls Village, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1

That there is hereby enacted the following provisions of an Ordinance prohibiting parking on public streets, drives, alleys and any other public thoroughfares in periods of heavy snowfall in Sugar Bush Knolls Village as follows:

Emergency during Heavy Snow Storms:

Whenever during any period of twenty-four (24) hours or less snow falls in Sugar Bush Knolls Village, or in a section or sections thereof, to a depth of two (2) inches or more, an emergency is declared to exist in that such a heavy snow storm constitutes a serious public hazard impairing transportation, the movement of food and fuel supplies, medical care, fire, health and police protection, and other vital facilities of the Village. Said emergency shall continue until an announcement by the Mayor and/or Street Commissioner that snow plowing operations have been completed, which announcement shall be made in the same manner as outlined in Section 1(b) below.

Parking Regulations during Emergency:

Whenever such an emergency exists, the Mayor and/or Street Commissioner shall request the cooperation of the local press and radio and television stations to announce the emergency and the time that emergency parking regulations will become effective, which time shall be no sooner than one (1) hour after the first announcement, and such announcement by two local or area radio stations, or two local or area television stations, or in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Sugar Bush Knolls Village shall constitute notice to the general public of the existence of the emergency. However, the owners and operators of parked vehicles shall have full responsibility to determine existing weather conditions and to comply with the emergency parking regulations.

During the emergency, the Mayor and/or Street commissioner may prohibit the parking of any vehicles upon any or all of the Village streets. During the emergency, it shall be unlawful for any person to park, or cause to be parked or permit to be parked or permit to remain parked, or to abandon or to leave unattended, any vehicle of any kind or description upon such specified streets; provided, however, that vehicles may be parked for a period of not longer than three (3) minutes for actual loading or unloading of passengers or thirty (30) minutes for actual loading or unloading of property; provided,

further, that no other ordinance restricting parking as to place or time is violated thereby.

Penalty:

Any vehicle parked in violation of above Section 1 (a) and (b) of this Ordinance may be removed and/or impounded at the cost and expense of the owner thereof; provided, further, that in the event that the Mayor and/or Street Commissioner authorizes additional emergency equipment to be used, the fees to be charged for towing and storage by said authorized agents shall be the towing service operator's regular towing rates for similar services, which shall be paid in full by the owner before the vehicle is released.

In addition to the foregoing penalty, the violation of this Ordinance Section 1 (a) and (b) shall constitute a minor misdemeanor. Whoever is convicted or pleads guilty thereto shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

SECTION 2

That where the Mayor and/or Street Commissioner deems it necessary, he shall cause appropriate signs to be posted accordingly as herein designated, to paint the curbing yellow where necessary, to make any other necessary changes not inconsistent with this Ordinance, to provide notice or warning to the citizens of an existing snowfall emergency.

SECTION 3

That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

PASSED: _____
Date

President of Council

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____
Date

Mayor