

ORDINANCE NO. C-50-75
(as amended)

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE, ADOPT AND ENACT THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GROVE CITY,
OHIO; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH;
AND TO PUBLISH THE ENACTMENT OF NEW MATTER THEREIN

WHEREAS, the City of Grove City, Ohio, has had the matter of recodification and general revision of the ordinances before it for some time, and

WHEREAS, it has heretofore entered into a contract with the Walter H. Drane Company to prepare and publish such recodification, and

WHEREAS, the recodification of such ordinances, together with the new matter to be adopted, the matters to be amended and those to be repealed are before the Council,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVE CITY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT

SECTION 1. The ordinances of the City of Grove City, Ohio, of a general and permanent nature, as revised, recodified, rearranged and consolidated into component codes, titles, chapters and sections are hereby approved, adopted and enacted as the Codified Ordinances of Grove City, Ohio, 1975. One book-form copy of the Codified Ordinances shall be certified as correct by the Mayor and the Clerk of Council, attached to this ordinance as a part hereof, and filed with the permanent ordinance records of the City of Grove City, Ohio.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this ordinance, including all provisions of the Codified Ordinances, shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after passage of this ordinance. All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof enacted prior to May 20, 1975, which are inconsistent with any provision of the Codified Ordinances, are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this ordinance, except as follows:

- (a) The enactment of the Codified Ordinances shall not be construed to affect a right or liability accrued or incurred under any legislative provisions prior to the effective date of such enactment, or an action or proceeding for the enforcement of such right or liability. Such enactment shall not be construed to relieve any person from punishment for an act committed in violation of any such legislative provisions, nor to affect an indictment or prosecution therefor. For such purposes, any such legislative provision shall continue in full force notwithstanding its repeal for the purpose of revisions and modification.
- (b) The repeal provided above shall not affect:
 1. The grant or creation of a franchise, license, right, easement or privilege.

7. The establishment, naming, vacating or grade level of any street or public way.
8. The dedication of property or plat approval.
9. The annexation or detachment of territory.
10. Any legislation enacted subsequent to May 19, 1975.

SECTION 3. That these Codified Ordinances consist of the following Titles, and a summary of new material contained in these Titles is set out below:

PART ONE - ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 101 - CODIFIED ORDINANCES

A chapter explaining designation, citation and headings of the Codified Ordinances; providing general definitions; specifying rules of construction, calendar and computation of time; explaining effects of amending or repealing ordinances; explaining construction of section references; explaining procedure for conflicting provisions; clarifying determination of legislative intent; providing for severability of invalid parts; providing a general penalty of \$100.00.

PART THREE - TRAFFIC CODE

CHAPTER 301 - DEFINITIONS.

A chapter providing definitions similar to those used in the Ohio Revised Code.

CHAPTER 303 - DEFINITIONS.

A chapter providing for compliance with lawful orders of police officers, prohibiting fleeing; regulating traffic direction in emergencies and obedience to school guards; the removal of ignition keys by law enforcement officers; excepting road workers and equipment from the Code; applying Code provisions to animals on streets; prohibiting freeway use by pedestrians, bicycles and animals; applying Code provisions to drivers of government vehicles; providing for impounding and redemption of motor vehicles; prohibiting willfully leaving a junk or other vehicles on private or public property without permission or notification; providing for notice to remove junk vehicle which has been left on private property with permission; prohibiting vehicle trespass; misdemeanor classification for traffic offenses; penalties for misdemeanors.

CHAPTER 305 - TRAFFIC CONTROL

A chapter providing for creation of Division of Traffic Engineering and Safety with Director of Public Safety as head; authority and considerations for placement of traffic control devices; conformity with State Manual; enumeration of powers of Public Safety Director; requiring records to be kept by Director; reserving powers to override Director and any delegated to Director, to Council; violations of chapter subject to misdemeanor classification.

CHAPTER 313 - TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

A chapter providing for obedience to traffic control devices; regulating through streets, stop and yield right-of-way signs; describing control signals, terms and lights; describing lane-use signals; describing pedestrian control signals; describing flashing traffic signals; prohibiting unauthorized signs and signals, hiding from view, advertising on signals; prohibiting alteration, injury or removal of devices.

CHAPTER 331 - OPERATING GENERALLY

A chapter providing for driving on the right and exceptions, use of righthand lane for slow moving traffic; vehicles proceeding in opposite directions passing to right; driver's duties in overtaking and passing to left of center; prohibitions against driving on left; hazardous or no passing zones; regulating driving within lanes or continuous lines of traffic; prohibiting following too closely; regulating turning at intersections; regulating turning into private driveways, alleys or buildings; restricting "U" turns; regulating starting and backing vehicles; requiring signals before changing course, turning or stopping; describing hand and arm signals; regulating right of way at intersections; regulating right of way when turning left; regulating operation of vehicle at yield sign; operation at stop signs; emergency or public safety vehicles at stop signals or signs; right of way of public safety vehicles; driver to yield when driving onto roadway from any place other than roadway; stopping at sidewalk when driving onto roadway from any place other than roadway; right of way of funeral procession; driver's view and control to be unobstructed by load or passengers; prohibiting driving on streets posted as closed for repair; prohibiting following and parking near emergency or safety vehicles; prohibiting driving over fire hoses; prohibiting driving through safety zones; regulating driving on one-way streets and around rotary traffic islands; driving on divided roadways; regulating entering and exiting controlled-access highways; prohibiting obstructing an intersection, crosswalk or railroad grade crossing; prohibiting failure to control or weaving course; prohibiting occupying a moving trailer; prohibiting squealing tires, "peeling", cracking exhaust noises; prohibiting driving on sidewalks, street lawns or curbs; regulating stopping for school buses and school bus red visual signals; regulating driving across grade crossings; stopping at grade crossings.

CHAPTER 333 - INTOXICATION; RECKLESS OPERATING; SPEED.

A chapter providing for prohibiting driving or physical control while under the influence of alcohol and/or any drug of abuse, testing; prohibiting reckless operating on streets, public or private property; regulating maximum speed limits, requiring assured clear distance ahead; prohibiting slow speed, speed below posted minimum; regulating speed over bridges; speed exceptions for emergency or safety vehicles; prohibiting drag

prohibiting operation or sale without certificate of title; prohibiting display of expired or unlawful license plates; license plates to be unobstructed; prohibiting use of illegal plates, transfer requiring stopping after accident on property other than streets; requiring stopping after accident resulting in damage to realty.

CHAPTER 337 - SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT.

A chapter providing for prohibiting driving unsafe vehicles, regulating bumpers; specifying times for lighted lights, measurement of distances and heights; requiring headlights on vehicles and motorcycles, tail light requirements, illumination of rear license plates; requiring rear red reflectors; requiring safety lighting on commercial vehicles; obscured lights on vehicles in combination; requiring red light or flag on extended loads; light requirements for parked or stopped vehicles; requirements for lights, emblem on slow-moving vehicles; spot lights and auxiliary lights; cowl, fender and backup lights, number of lighted lights displayed; use of headlight beams; number of lights permitted, limitations on flashing, oscillating or rotating lights; focus and aim of headlights; motor vehicle and motorcycle brake requirements; horn, siren and theft alarm signal; requirements for mufflers; rear view mirror required, clear view to front, sides, rear; signs or posters on windshield, wipers required; limiting load extension on passenger vehicle left side; stop lights required; air cleaner required.

CHAPTER 339 - COMMERCIAL AND HEAVY VEHICLES.

A chapter providing for operation of oversize or overweight vehicles on State routes, and permits; use of heavy vehicles on local streets and permits; specifying maximum width, height and length for local operation; requiring route and load information from drivers on request; requiring wheel protectors; requirements for vehicles transporting explosives; towing requirements; prohibiting loads dropping or leaking, removal from streets, tracking mud prohibited; prohibiting shifting or loose loads; prohibiting vehicles with spikes, lugs and chains; times for use of studded tires and chains.

CHAPTER 341 - DRIVERS OF COMMERCIAL CARS OR TRACTORS.

A chapter providing for definitions as used in the Ohio Revised Code 4501.01; prohibiting permitting driving or driving while fatigued or ill; limiting driver's consecutive service and regulating off-duty hours.

CHAPTER 351 - PARKING GENERALLY.

A chapter providing for removal of unattended vehicles obstructing traffic; finding the registered owner prima-facie liable for unlawful parking; describing prohibited standing or parking places; regulating manner of parallel parking; describing manner of angle parking; prohibiting selling, washing or repairing vehicle on street; duty to stop engine and set brake, turn front wheels toward curb when on grade and removed key of unattended

prohibiting passing vehicles stopped at crosswalks; providing for the right of way of a blind person; directing the crossing of a roadway at any place other than a crosswalk and crossing diagonally at intersections; moving in right half of crosswalk; sidewalk to be used where available and where not available, pedestrian shall use shoulder or left edge of roadway and yield right of way to all vehicles; prohibiting soliciting rides outside safety zones, standing on highway to solicit employment, business or contributions, regulating riding on outside of vehicles, prohibiting entering or leaving moving vehicle except in emergency; requiring driver to yield right of way to pedestrian on sidewalk; pedestrian to yield right of way to public safety vehicle; regulating walking on highway while under influence of alcohol and/or drugs of abuse; prohibiting entering or walking on bridge after bridge operation signal and passing beyond railroad grade crossing or bridge barriers or gate while closed or being opened or closed.

CHAPTER 373 - BICYCLES AND MOTORCYCLES.

A chapter providing for application of the Traffic Code to the use of bicycles; regulating riding on seats, operator's position in riding motorcycle, carrying package on bicycle, height of motorcycle handlebars, use of helmets and glasses when riding on or operating a motorcycle or snowmobile; prohibiting attaching bicycle or sled to vehicle; regulating riding abreast; regulating bicycle bell or signal device; specifying lights and reflector at night and adequate brake; requiring riding on right side of street, obedience to traffic rules and exercise of due care when passing; prohibiting reckless operation and requiring control of course and speed; regulating parking of bicycle.

CHAPTER 375 - SNOWMOBILES AND ALL PURPOSE VEHICLES.

A chapter providing for definitions like those in the Ohio Revised Code; specifying equipment; applying Traffic Code and prohibiting certain operation; permitting certain operation; specifying licensing requirements for operators; requiring registration of vehicles; requiring accident reports.

PART FIVE - GENERAL OFFENSES CODE

CHAPTER 501 - GENERAL PROVISIONS AND PENALTY.

A chapter providing for definitions similar to those in the Ohio Revised Code; classification of offenses as misdemeanors; abrogation of common law offenses; rules of construction; specifying jurisdiction of criminal law; limiting period of criminal prosecution; specifying requirements for criminal liability; requiring culpable mental states; attempts to commit offenses; complicity in committing offenses; organizational criminal liability; personal accountability for organizational conduct; specifying penalties for misdemeanors for persons and organizations.

CHAPTER 505 - ANIMALS AND FOWL.

A chapter providing for prohibiting animals running at large; requiring registration of dogs and cats; prohibiting abandonment;

acting disorderly; prohibiting disorderly conduct including fighting, noise, provoking violent response, intoxication; disturbing lawful meetings; prohibiting misconduct at emergencies; inducing panic; making false alarms.

CHAPTER 513 - DRUG ABUSE CONTROL.

A chapter providing for defining drug of abuse; prohibiting purchase, use or possession of hallucinogen or marijuana; prohibiting purchase, use or possession of harmful intoxicants; prohibiting possession of barbiturates or amphetamines; regulating possession of hypodermics; furnishing samples of drugs or pharmaceuticals.

CHAPTER 517 - GAMBLING.

A chapter providing for gambling definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 2915.01; prohibiting gambling as specified; prohibiting operating a gambling house; public gaming; cheating.

CHAPTER 521 - HEALTH, SAFETY AND SANITATION.

A chapter providing for prohibiting abandoned refrigerators and airtight containers; requiring venting of heaters and burners; requiring barricades and warning lights and prohibiting abandoned excavations; prohibiting sidewalk obstructions, damage or injury.

CHAPTER 525 - LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC OFFICE.

A chapter providing for definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 2921.01; prohibiting false statements or affirming false statements; impersonating a public official or public servant; compounding a crime; failure to report a felony or gun or stab wound, respecting certain disclosure of information; failure to aid law enforcement officer; obstructing official business; obstructing justice; resisting arrest; having unlawful interest in public contract; public servant soliciting or receiving improper compensation; dereliction of duty; public servants interfering with civil rights.

CHAPTER 529 - LIQUOR CONTROL.

A chapter providing for definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 4301.01; prohibitions and misrepresentations involving sales to minors; prohibiting consumption in motor vehicle; permit requirements for sale, manufacture, transport; posting age warning signs required; prohibiting open containers in stores, public places; specifying hours of sale or consumption.

CHAPTER 531 - MINORS

A chapter providing for prohibition of interference with custody of minors; minors curfew; and prohibiting parental neglect.

CHAPTER 533 - OBSCENITY AND SEX OFFENSES.

A chapter providing for definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 2907.01; presumption of knowledge of obscenity, notice and defense, prohibiting corruption of a minor; prohibiting sexual imposition; prohibiting importuning; prohibiting voyeurism; prohibiting public indecency; prohibiting procuring; prohibiting soliciting; prohibiting prostitution; disseminating matter harmful to juveniles; pandering obscenity; using deception to obtain matter harmful to juveniles.

CHAPTER 541 - PROPERTY OFFENSES.

A chapter providing for determining property value in arson; prohibiting arson; criminal damaging or endangering; criminal mischief; criminal trespass; prohibiting destruction of shrubs, trees or crops; prohibiting desecration.

CHAPTER 545 - THEFT AND FRAUD.

A chapter providing for definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 2913.01; determining property value in theft offenses; property exceptions in felony offenses; detention of shoplifters; prohibiting petty theft; unauthorized vehicle use; illegal sale or possession of master vehicle keys; unauthorized use of property; passing bad checks; misuse of credit cards; making or using slugs; tampering with coin machines; defrauding a livery or hostelry; tampering with records; securing writings by deception; impersonating an officer for fraud; defrauding creditors; receiving stolen property.

CHAPTER 549 - WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES.

A chapter providing for definitions as in Ohio Revised Code 2923.11; prohibiting carrying concealed weapons; using weapons while intoxicated; improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle; prohibiting unlawful transactions in weapons; improperly furnishing firearms to a minor; prohibiting sale of explosives to minors; regulating sale of fireworks; requiring fireworks display permits.

CHAPTER 553 - RAILROADS

A chapter providing for obstructing streets by railroad companies; prohibiting climbing upon railroad cars; specifying duties of locomotive engineers; regulating locomotive speed.

PART THIRTEEN - BUILDING CODE

Provisions were altered to adopt current technical standards and to provide a maximum penalty of \$100.00.

PART FIFTEEN - FIRE PREVENTION CODE

CHAPTER 1511 - FIRE PREVENTION.

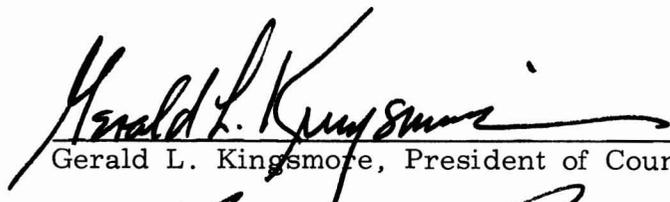
A section adopting National Fire Prevention Code, providing copies thereof.

CHAPTER 1513 - OPEN BURNING

A chapter providing definitions, prohibiting open burning, allowing certain open burning; providing for prior notification of burning; providing permit requirements; establishing a maximum penalty of \$500.00 plus cost of proper disposal on a first offense, \$1,000.00 plus cost of disposal on subsequent offenses.

SECTION 4. That the Clerk of Council, pursuant to the City Charter §2.11 and Ohio Revised Code 731.23, shall cause to be published in a manner

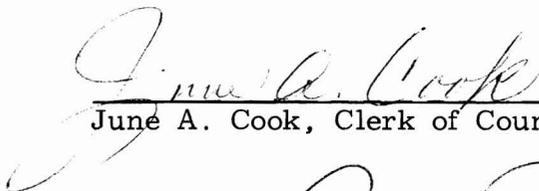
Submitted: 7/14/75


Gerald L. Kingsmore, President of Council

Passed: 8/4/75


Michael T. Brandt, Mayor

Effective: 9/3/75


June A. Cook, Clerk of Council

I Certify that this ordinance is correct as to form:


Ronald E. Plymale
Director of Law