

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

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ORDINANCE NO. 4-2025

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING TEMPORARY MORATORIUM, NOT TO EXCEED TWELVE (12) MONTHS, ON THE GRANTING OF ANY NEW PERMITS FOR COMPANIES OPERATING TRUCKING TERMINALS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Ohio and the Ohio Revised Code, municipalities have the power to enact planning and zoning laws that are for the health, safety, welfare, peace, and comfort of the citizens of the municipality, including restricting areas used for business and trade; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 8-2024, Council issued a moratorium for a temporary period of time, not to exceed twelve (12) months from the passage of Ordinance No. 8-2024, while it undertook a review and/or study of the Ordinances of the Village of Lordstown, including the planning and zoning regulation sections of the Village of Lordstown's Codified Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes it is in the best interest of the citizens to continue and extend the moratorium for a temporary period of time, not to exceed twelve (12) months, commencing March 6, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN, COUNTY OF TRUMBULL, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1: For purposes of this Ordinance, "Trucking Terminal" is defined as a trucking transfer facility used as an origin or destination point for the loading, unloading, assembling, or transferring of goods transported by truck, where at least 75% of the workforce, whether employees or independent contractors, at that location are comprised of truck drivers/operators.

Sections 2: That the Planning and Zoning Committee of the Village of Lordstown unanimously recommends a temporary moratorium not to exceed twelve (12) months (commencing March 6, 2025), on the granting of any new permits, under Local Codified Ordinances 1135.03, 1135.04, 1115.01, *et. seq.*, and 1125.03, among others, for businesses operating Trucking Terminals within the Village of Lordstown.

Section 3: That this Ordinance shall apply only to new permits and shall not apply to existing businesses within the Village of Lordstown or entities that have already made contact, directly or

indirectly, with the Village's Planning and Zoning Office to initiate the site plan review process for the development and operation of a Trucking Terminal.

Section 4: That it is 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 all deliberations of this 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 Ohio Revised Code.

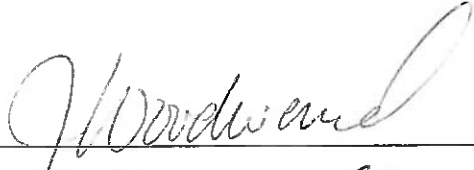

Section 5: That the Council of the Village of Lordstown hereby desires to continue a moratorium in order to allow Council, and any of its committees, Planning Commission, and/or the Village of Lordstown Planning and Zoning Department to review applicable Ohio statues and undertake a review and/or study of the Ordinances of the Village of Lordstown, including the planning and zoning regulation sections of the Village of Lordstown Ordinances.

Section 6: That the Village of Lordstown Council hereby imposes a continued moratorium on new permits for the establishment of businesses operating Trucking Terminals for an additional period not to exceed twelve (12) months, commencing March 6, 2025, and directs that no permits shall be issued for these facilities during the twelve (12) month period during the moratorium.

Section 7: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare, and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be implemented in a timely manner due to the expiration of the current moratorium and to keep Village employees, citizens, and businesses informed of the Village's position on this matter.

Section 8: That the passage of this Ordinance and all deliberations relating to the passage of this Ordinance were held in open meetings in accordance with the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Passed in Council this 18 day of February, 2025.


_____, Mayor

_____, Clerk

First reading January 21, 2025
Second reading February 3, 2025