

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-O-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, RESTRICTING CERTAIN TRAFFIC IN EXCESS OF 11,000 POUNDS ON STEPHENS ROAD AT A POINT FROM FOWLER CREEK (STATE RT. 1486) TO OLIVER ROAD, INDEPENDENCE, KENTUCKY

WHEREAS the City of Independence desires to reduce safety concerns on Stephens Rd; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's interest to reduce the size of vehicles travelling on Stephens Rd, and;

WHEREAS, Stephens Rd. is a City Road, beginning at Fowler Creek Rd (State Rt. 1486) to Oliver Road and the City has the authority to impose restrictions for the health, safety and welfare of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

(Strikethrough portions are to be deleted, underlined portions are to be added as required by KRS 83A.060(3))

SECTION I

Restriction of Traffic on Stephens Road, Independence, Kentucky – beginning at Fowler Creek (State Route 1486) to Oliver Road

(A) Motor vehicles and trucks having a gross vehicle weight rating (as defined at KRS 81A.010) ("GVWR") in excess of 11,000 pounds may not travel on Stephens Road.

(B) Truck-tractors, semi-trailers, trailers, tow trucks, dump trucks, equipment trailers and trucks having a box body appearance may not travel on Stephens Road. For purposes of this chapter, a truck has a "box body appearance" where its chassis is manufactured separately from the box that is attached to it, the box is either rectangular or square in size, and the box is covered or fully enclosed.

(C) Motor vehicles or trucks having a width greater than seven feet may not travel on Stephens Road.

(D) Residents that live within the restricted area may apply to the City for a permit for limited and special one time use of the restricted area.

(E) Any public safety vehicles, school buses and garbage trucks are exempt from this restriction.

(F) All violations of this section shall be a city citation in the amount of \$500 for a first offense and \$750 for a second and subsequent offense.

SECTION II

The provisions of this ordinance are severable; and the invalidity of any provision of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision thereof; and such other provisions shall remain in full force and effect if they remain valid in the absence of those provisions determined to be invalid.

SECTION III

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION IV

Should any section or part of any section or any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, for any reason, such declaration shall not invalidate, or adversely affect, the remainder of this Ordinance. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force when passed, published, and recorded according to the law.



Christopher J. Reinersman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Gina Rawe, City Clerk

First Reading: December 2, 2024

Second Reading: February 3, 2025

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

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