



ORDINANCE: 38 – 26

PASSED: _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 351.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OBETZ TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON STREETS LESS THAN TWENTY-SIX (26) FEET WIDE

WHEREAS, the City has determined that on-street parking on narrow streets may obstruct or interfere with the safe and efficient movement of emergency vehicles, fire apparatus, snow plows, refuse collection vehicles, public-service vehicles, utility vehicles, and ordinary vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, certain streets within the City are less than twenty-six (26) feet wide when measured from curb face to curb face, or, where no curb exists, from edge of pavement to edge of pavement; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that prohibiting parking on streets less than twenty-six (26) feet wide will promote traffic safety, preserve emergency and service-vehicle access, and provide a clear and enforceable standard for residents, visitors, and City personnel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OBETZ, OHIO:

Section 1. Section 351.11 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Obetz is hereby amended to read as follows:

351.11 PARKING IN ALLEYS AND NARROW STREETS; EXCEPTIONS.

(a) No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle upon a street, other than an alley, in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten feet of the width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic, except that a driver may stop temporarily during the actual loading or unloading of passengers or when directed to by a police officer or traffic control signal.

(b) No person shall stop, stand, park, or leave any vehicle or trailer upon any street that is less than twenty-six (26) feet wide, measured as provided in subsection (c). This prohibition applies to all vehicles and trailers, including ordinary passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles, recreational vehicles, mobile homes, manufactured homes, modular homes, and similar vehicles or structures as defined or regulated under Section 351.15.

(c) For purposes of subsection (b), street width shall be determined by measurement from curb face to curb face. Where no curb exists, street width shall be determined by measurement from edge of pavement to edge of pavement.

(d) The Police Department, City Engineer, Public Service Department, or other authorized City official may determine street width by City records, engineering records, GIS data, field measurement, or other reliable information.

(e) No parking permit, recreational vehicle permit, temporary parking permission, or other City authorization shall allow parking on a street where parking is prohibited by subsection (b), unless the authorization expressly states that subsection (b) is being temporarily suspended for a City-approved public event, emergency, construction activity, utility work, street maintenance, or other public purpose.

(f) Except as otherwise provided by law, no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle within an alley except while actually loading or unloading, and then only for a period not to exceed thirty (30) minutes.

~~(b)~~ (g) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

Passed this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council

Angela M. Kirk, Mayor

Derek Varney, Council President Pro-Tem

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Eugene L. Hollins, Esq., Law Director

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

Pursuant to the City Charter, I, Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk of Council of the City of Obetz, Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance _____ was duly posted at _____ (time) on the _____ day of _____, 2026, at the Obetz Government Center, Obetz Community Center, and Obetz Athletic Club, as well as on the Obetz website.

Stacey Boumis, Clerk

Date