

**CITY OF IMLAY CITY  
LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**ORDINANCE NO. 20**

**AMENDMENT OF CITY OF IMLAY CITY  
CODE OF ORDINANCES – GENERAL REGULATIONS (SIDEWALKS)**

AN ORDINANCE to secure the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and property owners of the City of Imlay City, Lapeer County, Michigan by clarifying the maintenance requirements for sidewalks within the Business District of the City, establishing a penalty for the violation thereof, and repealing all Ordinances and/or Resolutions in conflict therewith.

**THE CITY OF IMLAY CITY, COUNTY OF LAPEER, MICHIGAN  
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**SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS**

**Subsection 1.1.** Title IX (General Regulations), Chapter 100 (Sidewalks) shall have the following Subsections added thereto:

**Sec. 100.05 MAINTENANCE**

(B) Business District: Removal of Snow and Ice Required; Time Limit. It shall be the duty of every owner, agent, or tenant who may own, lease, or occupy any commercial building within the corporate limits of the City of Imlay City, that abuts any street or alley of the downtown business district of the City, and has a cement sidewalk in the front and/or rear of said building, to clean the same of any snow, slush, ice or other debris within twenty-four (24) hours after the close of any act of nature event which results in the deposit of any measurable accumulation of snow, slush, ice or other debris.

The Owner, agent or tenants of any vacant or occupied commercial building, or individuals hired by them, including but not limited to any lot or parcel of land zoned office, business or industrial, and/or any lot or parcel of land zoned multiple dwelling which has on-site parking lots, parking areas drive-thru or service areas, etc., are prohibited from shoveling, pushing or blowing snow from sidewalks into a public street, and shall not block any sidewalk area, obstruct visions or create a hazard for vehicles.

(C) No person, firm, agent, or corporation shall place (intended or unintended) debris, including grass clippings, yard waste, construction materials, or trash on any public street, alley, sidewalk, or public place as part of any routine property maintenance.

**Subsection 1.2.** Title IX (General Regulations), Chapter 100 (Sidewalks), Section 100.99 (Penalty) shall be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

**Sec. 100.99 PENALTY**

(A) Any person who violates any section of this chapter shall be deemed responsible for a civil infraction and shall pay a fine(s) not to exceed \$500 in total. Each day a violation exists may be considered a separate violation and a fine so imposed.

(B) Failure to Remove Snow or Ice; Penalty. Notice shall be provided annually to every address within the affected area. Such notice shall serve as a courtesy and first warning to property owners of ordinance requirements. Any person who neglects to comply with the provisions of this Section shall be deemed responsible for a civil infraction and shall be subject to a fine of fifty-dollars (\$50.00) for the first offense and second subsequent violations of one-hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and a one-hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) penalty of the third and subsequent violation(s) within a calendar year. Business owners shall be responsible for the cost associated within city-sanctioned or contractor-assigned snow removal if not completed within the twenty-four-hour (24) time allotment.

**SECTION 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS**

All resolutions, ordinances, or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity or unconstitutionality of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4. PUBLICATION**

This Ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Imlay City within fifteen (15) days after adoption.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication as set forth in Section 4.

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