

ORDINANCE NO. 06-06-2024-____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF BRISTOL, INDIANA DECLARING PORTIONS OF
PONDEROSA DRIVE AND BLOOMINGDALE DRIVE IN THE
TOWN OF BRISTOL, INDIANA TO BE WIDE LOAD ROUTES

WHEREAS, the Town of Bristol, Indiana (the “Town”) is a duly formed municipal corporation within the State of Indiana governed by its duly elected Town Council (the “Council”); and

WHEREAS, the Town is a “local authority” as the term is defined in Indiana Code § 9-13-2-94 and as used in Indiana Code § 9-20, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code § 9-20-1-3(c), the Town, with respect to highways under its jurisdiction, except highways in the state highway system and state-maintained routes through the Town, may by ordinance prohibit the operation of trucks or other commercial vehicles and impose limitations as to the weight, size, or use of those vehicles on designated highways, provided appropriate signage along such highways is also installed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code § 9-20-6, et seq., vehicles that exceed certain height, weight, length, and other requirements must obtain a special permit from the Indiana Department of Transportation to operate upon Indiana highways; and

WHEREAS, State Road 120 (locally known as Vistula Street) (“IN-120”) and State Road 15 (locally known as Division Street) (“IN-15”) are highways in the state highway system that permit travel through the Town and are designated by the Indiana Department of Transportation as permitted routes for holders of valid permits issued under Indiana Code § 9-20-6, et seq. (“Permittees”) to transport heavy vehicles and loads or other objects not conforming to Article 9 of the Indiana Code (the “Wide Load Route”); and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the intersection of IN-120 and IN-15 in the Town is often congested by commercial truck traffic, and that such congestion makes navigating the intersection difficult and dangerous to Permittees; and

WHEREAS, to alleviate congestion at the intersection of IN-120 and IN-15, the Council desires to designate highways within the Town’s jurisdiction for use by Permittees as alternate routes to the Wide Load Route to be known as the “Alternate Wide Load Route”; and

WHEREAS, the Town will erect appropriate signage to inform Permittees and other users of the Town’s highways of the permitted use of Alternate Wide Load Route.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Bristol, Indiana, meeting in regular session, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing Recitals are fully incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. The Council declares that the following highways within the Town and under the jurisdiction of the Town, as depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, are permitted to be used by Permittees for transporting heavy vehicles and loads or other objects not conforming to Article 9 of the Indiana Code:

Ponderosa Drive: From its intersection with IN-120/East Vistula Street south to the intersection with Bloomingdale Drive.

Bloomingdale Drive: From its intersection with Ponderosa Drive to its intersection with IN-15/South Division Street.

Section 3. The route described and depicted in Section 2 and Exhibit A shall be known as the “Alternate Wide Load Route”.

Section 4. The appropriate authority of the Town shall erect signage at the beginnings of and along the Alternate Wide Load Route to inform Permittees and other users of the permissible use of such route.

Section 5. Use of the Alternate Wide Load Route by any Permittee shall not relieve or excuse any such Permittee from otherwise complying with any permit issued under Indiana Code § 9-20-6, et seq. or any other provision of Indiana law.

Section 6. All prior ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such inconsistency only, as of the effective date of this Ordinance, such repeal to have prospective effect only.

Section 7. If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance so long as enforcement of the same can be given the same effect.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect in accordance with Indiana Law, upon passage of any applicable waiting periods, all as provided by the laws of the State of Indiana.

Section 9. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby ordered amended or repealed. All acts pursuant to the adoption of this Ordinance are hereby ratified.

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ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF BRISTOL, INDIANA

Jeff Beachy, President

Cathy Burke

Dean Rentfrow

Gregg Tuholski

Doug DeSmith

ATTEST:

Cathy Antonelli, Clerk-Treasurer

EXHIBIT 1

Depiction of Alternate Wide Load Route

