CITY OF HARTFORD COUNTY OF VAN BUREN STATE OF MICHIGAN PROPOSED AMENDMENT FIRST READING

THE CITY OF HARTFORD ORDAINS:

Ordinance 332 – 2023 Amendment to Code of Ordinance 110.01 REGULATING GARAGE, YARD, BASEMENT, AND PRIVATE SALE REGULATIONS

Section 3.54 Conditions and Limitations

Garage, yard, basement, or other similar or private sales shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

- A. Such sales may be held on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 7:00 p.m. A permit must be obtained on the Wednesday the week prior to the sale date. The fee for said permit shall be set by Council from time to time five (\$5.00) for a three four day sale. The City shall provide two (2) free City –wide sales each year during the Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends. These two sales may continue for a period of not more than five (5) days and must follow all other provisions herein. These sales require a permit, but the fee will be waived.
- **B.** No sale shall be commenced if the proposed sale would in any manner constitute an unreasonable nuisance to the neighborhood from noise, traffic, lighting, hours of operation, or the nature of the merchandise offered for sale. The garage and or yard where the sale is taking place shall be kept in a neat and orderly manner. Sales other than those outlined in subsection A above may be held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. A permit must be obtained prior to the sale date. The fee for said permit shall be set by Council from time to time for a four-day sale. Fees are non-refundable for any reason, including rain outs.
- C. No sale shall continue for a period of more than three (3) five (5) days, including Memorial Day and/or Labor Day. All sales are limited to the hours of 8:00am through 7:00pm.
- **D.** No more than three (3) five (5) such sales per calendar year shall be conducted on the same premises, including the two (2) one (1) free City-wide sale each year during the Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend. No sale shall be commenced if the proposed sale would in any manner constitute an unreasonable nuisance to the neighborhood from noise, traffic, lighting, hours of operation or the nature of the merchandise offered for sale. The garage and or yard where the sale is taking place shall be kept in a neat and orderly manner.
- E. Advertising signs concerning such sale shall be self-supporting only and shall be set up only during the hours the sale is being conducted. Such signs shall be removed immediately after the sale is finished. No more than five (5) such sales per calendar year shall be conducted on the same premises, including the two (2) free City-wide sales each year during the Memorial Day and Labor Day weekend.
- **F.** Advertising signs concerning such a sale shall be self-supporting only and shall be set up only during the hours the sale is being conducted. Such signs shall meet the requirements outlined in section 3.55 below and shall be removed immediately after the sale is finished.

A. In any area, signs for advertising on site home occupations, sale of products derived from the land or premises upon which the sign is located, or sale of the premises shall be permitted without permit provided it meets the following criteria:

- 1. It does not exceed nine (9) square feet.
- 2. It shall be no closer to the street right-of-way than ten (10) feet.
- 3. It does not interfere with public safety.
- 4. Signs must be fifteen (15) feet from side lot lines.
- 5. No sign shall be more than ten (10) feet high.
- 6. No illuminated signs.
- B. A. All advertising signs located on other than the sale premises will indicate that permission has been received from the owner of the sign site property.
- C. B. All advertising signs will indicate the hours and dates of the sale.
- D. No advertising signs will be posted in the city for sales on premises located in another governmental unit.

Section 3.56 Storage of Merchandise

All merchandise offered for sale shall be stored inside the buildings located upon the premises except during the period of the sale.

Section 3.57 Penalty for Violation

A violation of the provisions of Section 3.54 through 3.56 is a municipal civil infraction violation.

Ordinance 332 – 2023 amendment declared adopted upon publication.

The City of Hartford

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, Clerk

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