TOWN COUNCIL

town of dayton, indiana ordinance no. 2024-23

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING UNSAFE ACTIVITIES AROUND ROADWAYS AND VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 36-1-3-4 provides a municipality all powers necessary to conduct its affairs, even if not expressly granted by statute;

WHEREAS, the Town of Dayton, Indiana (hereinafter the "Town") has a significant interest in promoting public safety and order on streets;

WHEREAS, the Town has a primary interest in protecting the health and safety of its residents, employees, visitors, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Town has determined the restrictions contained in this ordinance are necessary to achieve these interests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAYTON, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Prohibited activity around roadways.

- a. It shall be unlawful for a pedestrian to sit, stand or move within or upon a roadway, or a median between two (2) roadways, or within the public right-of-way not exceeding fifty (50) feet from the traveled portion of any intersection controlled by an automatic traffic signal or stop sign, for the purpose of or while engaged in (by oral or written methods):
 - Soliciting, or peddling, selling, advertising, donating, or distributing any product, property, or service, including but not limited to tickets, handbills, newspapers, or other printed material, to or from an occupant of a vehicle in the roadway; or
 - ii. Conversation or discourse with an occupant of a vehicle in the roadway.

2. Interference with vehicular traffic.

- a. It shall be unlawful for a person (by oral or written methods) to solicit, or to peddle, sell, advertise, donate, or distribute any product, property, or service, including but not limited to tickets, handbills, newspapers, or other printed material, to an occupant of a vehicle, or to engage in conversation or discourse with an occupant of a vehicle within or upon a roadway or a median between two (2) roadways, or within the public right-of-way not exceeding fifty (50) feet from the traveled portion of any intersection controlled by an automatic traffic signal or stop sign, so as to:
 - i. Endanger the safety or welfare of an occupant of a vehicle within or upon a roadway, or the person or any pedestrian within the immediate vicinity;
 - ii. Impede the free flow of vehicular traffic on the roadway; or,
 - iii. Obstruct or distract the view of the driver of any such vehicle within or upon a roadway.

3. Enforcement and penalties.

a. A violation of this article shall be subject to admission of violation and payment of the fines as shown below:

Description	Fine
Prohibited activity around roadways	\$50.00 per occurrence
Interference with vehicular traffic	\$50.00 per occurrence

4. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and posting in accordance with Indiana law.

Adopted October 15 , 2024.

President

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Member

Member

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer