ordinance no. 26-77

CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED	BY COU	UNCILMAN	McQueeney	ON	THE	20th	
DAY OF	June	,	1977.		_		_

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH AND ENFORCE FIRE LANES ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF CENTER-VILLE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper to guard against the occurrence and spread of fires in the City of Centerville for the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of the city, and

WHEREAS, to provide proper protection, it is necessary that access to structures and fire hydrants be unobstructed by parked vehicles, and

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that the establishment of fire lanes in business areas within the city will promote unobstructed access to business structures and fire hydrants for the purpose of limiting the spread of fires;

NOW, THEREFORE,

The Municipality of Centerville hereby ordains:

- Section 1. Wherever on public or private premises in areas zoned for B-I neighborhood business; B-2 roadside business; B-3 shopping centers; entrance corridor; office service and research office industrial districts as defined and established by Ordinance 15-1961, the zoning ordinance of the City of Centerville, the City Manager on advise of the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief, shall find that parking of vehicles does or will interfere with ready access by the Fire Department to a structure for the purpose of fighting fires therein or with ready access to a fire hydrant for protection of a structure or premises, the City Manager shall designate a reasonable area or areas leading to and adjacent to said structure and hydrants as fire lanes.
- Section 2. Upon the designation of a fire lane as provided in Section 1 of this Ordinance, the City Manager or his designate shall notify in writing, the owner of the premises of said designation and of the extent of such lane. The City Manager shall cause to be placed or erected signs and markers along said fire lane clearly identifying the existence of the fire lane and the extent thereof. The design and location of said signs and markers shall be specified by the City Manager and shall not be less than the standards required for such signs and markers on public highways as prescribed by the Ohio Department of Transportation.
- Section 3. No person shall park a vehicle in any fire lane designated as such by the City Manager pursuant to this Ordinance.
- Section 4. Whoever shall violate the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor, provided, however, that no person shall be deemed guilty of a violation of Section 3 hereof unless at the time of the alleged violation there were conspicuously posted the signs and markers provided for in Section 2 hereof.

	Section 5. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after the earliest date allowed by law.
	PASSED this 20th day of June , 1977.
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	Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio
	ATTEST:
Acting	Clerk of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio
	CERTIFICATE
	The undersigned, Clerk of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 26-77, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, on the 20th day of June, 1977.
	Acting Clerk of the Council
	Approved as to form; consistency with existing ordinances, the charter & constitutional provisions. Department of Law Robert N. Farquiar Municipal Attorney