

## VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL, OHIO

### ORDINANCE 997

#### AN ORDINANCE COMBINING ORDINANCES 962 AND 920 RELATING TO THE TRIMMING OF TREES, SHRUBBERY, WEEDS, AND GRASS

WHEREAS, the Village Council desires to modify Ordinances 962 and 920 to combine and clarify into a single ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Village Council desires to combine said Ordinances for a more uniform enforcement;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the council of the Village of Pleasant Hill, a majority of the members elected or appointed thereto concurring.

SECTION ONE: That Ordinance 962 and 920 be revised and combined as follows:

(A) Any person owning or having control of land within the Village shall keep the land clear of tall or noxious weeds and/or grass. The person shall be required to keep the weeds and/or grass less than nine (9) inches tall.

(B) All trees shall be trimmed so as to have a clear height of 10 feet above the surface of the sidewalks and 15 feet above the surface of the street or roadway, and the branches of all trees in front and along lots or lands near which street lights are placed shall be trimmed so as not to obstruct the free passage of light from said street lights to the street and sidewalk.

(C) Written notice of the violation of this section shall be served upon the person owning or having control of such land notifying the person owning or having control of such land of the violation. The notice shall inform the person owning or having control of such land that any noxious weeds and/or grass in violation of this ordinance must be cut within seven (7) days after service of the notice. Any trees or shrubbery in violation of this ordinance must be trimmed within fifteen (15) days after service of the notice.

(D) The person owning or having control of the lands of this section who fails to comply with this ordinance within the time provided in paragraph (C) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for each day of violation

(E) Any person who fails to comply after receiving notice, the

Village may cause such noxious weeds and grass, trees or shrubbery to be cut and destroyed and may employ labor to perform the task. A statement of the charges for performing such labor, the fees of the officers who made the service of the notice and return, and a property description of the premises shall be forwarded to the County Auditor and shall be entered upon the tax duplicate, and shall be a lien upon such lands from the date of the entry, and shall be collected as other taxes and returned to the Village with the general fund.

SECTION TWO: That Ordinance 962 and 920 are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance be and is hereby declared to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens of the Village of Pleasant Hill, Ohio, therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2004.

Approved as to form:

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Paul Wagner, Solicitor

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Mayor

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Clerk-Treasurer

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President of Council