

CITY OF COLLINSVILLE, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 627

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLLINSVILLE, GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS REQUIRING PROPERTY POSSESSORS OR OWNERS TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ABUTTING THEIR PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Collinsville has investigated and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Collinsville, Texas to require property possessors or owners to maintain public right-of way abutting their property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLLINSVILLE, TEXAS:

SECTION ONE. MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY ADJACENT TO OWNERS PROPERTY.

- a. The possessor and/or owner of property adjacent to a public roadway or a public easement in the City of Collinsville, Texas, shall keep the owner or possessor's property, and the property within the public right-of-way or public easement abutting the pavement and/or traveled portion of the public roadway or within the public easement, free and clear of high grass and weeds, and other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter of whatever nature. Objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter of whatever nature shall include, without limitation, grass, weeds, brush, or other living material in excess of twelve (12) inches in height.
- b. The possessor and/or owner of property adjacent to a public roadway or a public easement in the City of Collinsville, Texas, shall also be responsible for removal of brush and other objectionable unsightly or unsanitary matter of whatever nature, and shall also be responsible for mowing of the grass in a bar ditch or parkway. A bar ditch or parkway is defined as the area between the edge of the roadway and the property owner's property line or fence, if any, or the side of the bar ditch furthest from the traveled roadway.
- c. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof in a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (500.00) for each violation.

SECTION TWO. AUTHORITY.

The authority to enforce this Ordinance adopted by the City of Collinsville and issue citations pursuant to this ordinance shall be vested in any legally authorized Collinsville Police Officer, Collinsville Code Enforcement Officer or Collinsville Building Official.

SECTION THREE. SEVERABILITY PROVISION.

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION FOUR. REPEAL PROVISION.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict only.

SECTION FIVE. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City Council having determined that it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Collinsville, this Ordinance and the fines and charges created by this ordinance shall be established and therefore an emergency is declared. This ordinance shall become effective immediately and in full force upon passage and signature by the Mayor and City Secretary.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of June, 2018.



ANDY R. HAMMER, Mayor

ATTEST:



DEBORAH D. HALE, City Secretary