

Resolution No. 13-19

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S NEW  
"TOBACCO FREE POLICY" ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lorain believes that tobacco use in ANY FORM (cigarette smoking, alternate nicotine devices such as e-cigarettes, chew, snus, dip, pipe, hookah, etc.) in the proximity of children and adults engaging in or watching outdoor recreational activities at all city-owned or leased properties or facilities is detrimental to their health and can be offensive to those using such facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a unique opportunity to create and sustain an environment that supports a non-tobacco norm through a tobacco-free policy, rule enforcement, and adult-peer role modeling on city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City believes parents, leaders, and officials involved in recreation and other activities are role models for youth and can have a positive effect on the lifestyle choices they make; and

**WHEREAS**, the tobacco industry advertises at and sponsors recreational events to foster a connection between tobacco use and recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, cigarettes, chewing tobacco, vaping products, etc., once consumed in public spaces, are often discarded on the ground requiring additional maintenance expenses, diminish the beauty of the city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities, and pose a risk to toddlers due to ingestion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lorain City Council supports the determination that the prohibition of tobacco use on the city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities serves to further protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our City and further supports the implementation of the new "**Tobacco Free Policy**" crafted by the Administration.

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LORAIN, STATE OF OHIO:***

**SECTION 1.** Lorain City Council hereby supports the Administration's new **Tobacco Free Policy** as attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, and encourages diligent participation and enforcement of the City of Lorain's new "**Tobacco Free Policy**" by both the city and community.

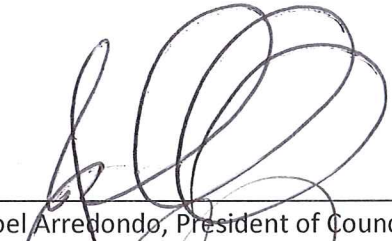
**SECTION 2.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in meetings open to the public and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements, including 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

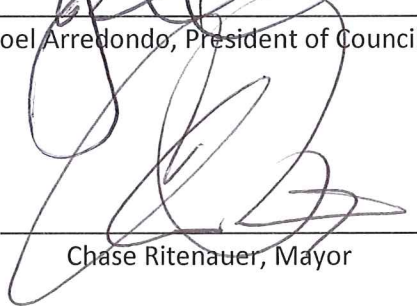
**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: May 20 2019

Attest: Ray Green Clerk

Approved: May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

  
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Joel Arredondo, President of Council

  
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Chase Ritenauer, Mayor



# CITY OF LORAIN

## Departments of Public Safety/Service

**Chase Ritenauer**  
Mayor

**Daniel W. Given**  
Director  
Public Safety/Service

**Philip K. Dore**  
Chief Deputy Director  
Chief of Staff

### CITY OF LORAIN Tobacco-Free Policy

WHEREAS, the City believes that tobacco use in ANY FORM (cigarette smoking, alternate nicotine devices such as e-cigarettes, chew, snus, dip, pipe, hookah, etc.) in the proximity of children and adults engaging in or watching outdoor recreational activities at all city-owned or leased properties or facilities is detrimental to their health and can be offensive to those using such facilities.

WHEREAS, the City has a unique opportunity to create and sustain an environment that supports a non-tobacco norm through a tobacco-free policy, rule enforcement, and adult-peer role modeling on city-owned lands or leased properties, parks and/or facilities.

WHEREAS, the City believes parents, leaders, and officials involved in recreation and other activities are role models for youth and can have a positive effect on the lifestyle choices they make.

WHEREAS, the tobacco industry advertises at and sponsors recreational events to foster a connection between tobacco use and recreation.

WHEREAS, tobacco products such as cigarettes, chewing tobacco, vaping products, etc., once consumed in public spaces, are often discarded on the ground requiring additional maintenance expenses and diminish the beauty of the city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities, and pose a risk to toddlers due to ingestion.

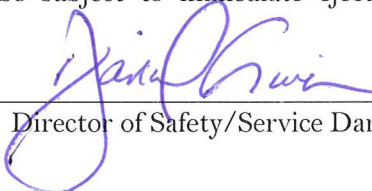
WHEREAS, the Lorain City Council determines that the prohibition of tobacco use on the city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities serves to further protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our City.

THEREFORE, tobacco use of any kind is prohibited on or in all city-owned lands or leased properties and facilities. No person shall use any form of tobacco at or on any city-owned lands or leased properties or facilities, including the restrooms, spectator and concession areas, or any open air area. These facilities shall include but are not limited to playgrounds, athletic fields, beaches, parks, governmental buildings, and walking/hiking trails, parking lots, etc.

#### SECTION 1: ENFORCEMENT:

1. Appropriate signs shall be posted in specified areas.
2. The community, especially facility users and staff, will be notified of this new policy and all forms shall be updated to include the new policy stipulations.
3. The staff shall make periodic observations of facilities and lands to monitor for compliance.
4. Any person found violating this policy may be subject to immediate ejection from the property or facility for the remainder of the day.

DATE: 5/21/19

  
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Director of Safety/Service Dan Given



CITY OF LORAIN

City Council Public Hearing & Regular Meeting

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Meeting Date: 05/20/2019

Submitted by: Nancy Greer, Clerk of Council

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION OR LEGISLATION TITLE

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S NEW TOBACCO FREE POLICY IN THE CITY OF LORAIN, OHIO.

PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

The City believes that tobacco use in ANY FORM (cigarette smoking, alternate nicotine devices such as e-cigarettes, chew, snus, dip, pipe, hookah, etc.) in the proximity of children and adults engaging in or watching outdoor recreational activities at City-owned or operated facilities is detrimental to their health and can be offensive to those using such facilities.

The City has a unique opportunity to create and sustain an environment that supports a non-tobacco norm through a tobacco-free policy, rule enforcement, and adult-peer role modeling on City-lands and facilities and the City believes parents, leaders, and officials involved in recreation and other activities are role models for youth AND can have a positive effect on the lifestyle choices they make; and

The tobacco industry advertises at and sponsors recreational events to foster a connection between tobacco use and recreation; and cigarettes, chewing tobacco, vaping products, etc., once consumed in public spaces, are often discarded on the ground requiring additional maintenance expenses, diminish the beauty of the City's facilities, and pose a risk to toddlers due to ingestion. Lorain City Council determines that the prohibition of tobacco use on the City's lands and facilities serves to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our City

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

Lorain City Council consider passage of the resolution

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Attachments

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Exh A - Policy

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Form Review

VOTE ON PASSAGE

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