

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNNECESSARY VEHICULAR NOISES

WHEREAS, the very nature and purpose of public right-of-way is such that it is always in close proximity to hospitals, nursing homes, private residences and other places where people have an expectation of peace and quiet; and

WHEREAS, excessive and unnecessary noises created by and emanating from motor vehicles is disruptive to the peace and harmony of the community.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE URBANA CITY COUNCIL that the Urbana City Code is hereby amended to include the following amendments to Chapter 16, entitled "Noise and Vibrations".

1. Section 16-8(b) is amended to read as follows:

"No person shall operate or permit the operation of any sound amplification system in or on any motor vehicle which can be heard outside the vehicle for a distance of seventy-five feet (75') or more when the vehicle is operated or located on a public right-of-way, unless such system is being operated to request assistance or warn of a hazardous situation.

No person shall operate a motor vehicle or permit the operation of a motor vehicle which:

- (a) Is equipped with a siren, whistle, bell or gong signaling device unless such vehicle is an emergency vehicle or unless such device is capable of being used only as an antitheft device and can not be used as an ordinary warning signal;
- (b) Is not equipped with a muffler and exhaust system which is in constant operation and good working order;
- (c) Is equipped with an exhaust system which has been modified so as to amplify or increase the noise of such vehicle above that emitted by the exhaust system originally installed on the vehicle."

2. A new subsection (e) is added to Section 16-8 to read as follows:

"The provisions of this Article shall apply only to motor vehicles as defined in the Illinois Vehicle Code which are operated upon or located upon a public right-of-way, except this ordinance shall not be deemed to apply to motor vehicles engaged in interstate commerce. The definitions set forth in the Illinois Vehicle Code shall be the definitions that are applicable to such words used in this Ordinance. "

3. The existing subsection (b) of Section 16-8 of the Urbana City Code is repealed; furthermore existing Section 16-8(e) is hereby redesignated as Section 16-8(f).

4. Section 1-18 of the Urbana City Code is amended to read as follows with respect to Chapter 16 "Noise and Vibrations":

"Prohibitions generally.....	\$50.00"
16-7 Construction operations.....	\$75.00
16-8 (all subsections).....	\$50.00
16-9 Horns.....	\$50.00"

5. The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with Section 1-2-4 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, of a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a regular meeting of said Council.

PASSED by the City Council this 18th day of September, 1995.

AYES: Hayes, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan

NAYS: Ryan

PRESENT:

Phyllis D. Clark

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

by Deborah J. Robert, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this 22nd day of September, 1995.

Tod Satterthwaite

Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor



CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION
IN PAMPHLET FORM



I, PHYLLIS D. CLARK, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois.

I certify that on the 18th day of September, 1995, the corporate authorities of the City of Urbana passed and approved Ordinance No. 9596-27, entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNNECESSARY VEHICULAR NOISES"

which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 9596-27 was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in the Urbana City Building commencing on the 25th day of September, 1995, and continuing for at least ten (10) days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request at the Office of the City Clerk.

Dated at Urbana, Illinois, this 25th, day of September, 1995.

(SEAL)



Phyllis D. Clark
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

By Deborah J. Roberts, Deputy Clerk