

ORDINANCE NO. 1501

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 10.19 IN THE RIPON MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES

The City Council of the City of Ripon, Wisconsin (the "Council") does hereby ordain as follows:

Chapter 10.19 of the City of Ripon Municipal Code of Ordinances, is hereby created by adding the following:

10.19 - GRASS CLIPPINGS

10.19.010 Grass Clippings

All grass clippings from lawnmowing or other sources shall not be allowed to blow upon or accumulate upon any public street in the city where such grass clippings could wash into any storm sewer drainage inlet.

10.19.020 Evidence of Intent

The presence of grass trimmings for a period more than two (2) hours upon the public street shall be conclusive evidence of the depositor's intent not to remove them.

10.19.030 Offenses

Offenses under this chapter shall be subject to increased fines as provided by this section. As used in this section, "repeat offense" means a second (or and subsequent) violation of the same requirement or provision of this chapter within any three-year period for which the person admits responsibility or is determined to be responsible. The increased fine for a repeat offense under this chapter shall be as follows:

- A. The first offense for depositing the grass clippings onto the street shall result in a written warning. The city may opt to use a door hanger as an official notice. The official notice will direct the property owner to remove the grass clippings within twenty-four hours.
- B. The fine for any offense which is a first repeat offense shall not be less than one hundred twenty-five dollars plus costs.
- C. The fine for any offense which is a second repeat offense shall not be less than two hundred fifty dollars plus costs.
- D. The fine for any offense which is a third repeat or any subsequent repeat offense, shall not be less than four hundred dollars each, plus costs.

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any provision of this ordinance or the application of any provision of this ordinance, to any circumstances, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this ordinance, shall not be affected thereby.



Theodore Grant, Mayor

ATTEST:



Adam Sonntag, City Administrator

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PASSED THIS 14th DAY OF September 2021.

PUBLISHED THIS 23rd DAY OF September, 2021.

Approved as to form:



Ludwig L. Wurtz, City Attorney