

ORDINANCE NO. 31, 2025

AMENDING SECTION 1181.15 OF THE ST. BERNARD CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of St. Bernard has determined a need to update and amend certain portions of Section 1181.15 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of St. Bernard;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Section 1181.15 of the St. Bernard Codified Ordinances shall read as follows:

1181.15 DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Every lot hereinafter used as a public or private parking area, including a public parking lot as well as motor vehicle and trailer sales lots, shall be developed and maintained in accordance with the following requirements:

(a) Screening and Landscaping. Off street parking areas for more than five (5) vehicles shall be effectively screened by landscaping on each side which adjoins or faces institutional premises or premises situated in any R-district. Such landscaping must be approved by a registered landscape architect and shall be maintained in a landscaping bed, free of weeds and with plantings maintained in good condition.

i. Evergreen shrubbery/ bush, which at maturity, will be a minimum of four (4) feet in height shall be required. Number shall be determined by type of shrub/bush to be planted.

ii. Flowering perennial plants: three (3) per required shrub or bush.

(b) Minimum Distances and Setbacks: No part of any parking area for more than five (5) vehicles shall be located closer than ten feet to any roadway, dwelling, school, hospital, or other institution for human care located on an adjoining lot unless screened according to (a) above; provided however that parking areas for twenty-five or more automobiles or for trucks and buses shall not have an entrance or exit for vehicles within 200 feet along the same side of the street as any school, public playground, church, hospital, public library or institution for dependents or children, except where such property is in another block or on another street which the lot in question does not abut.

(c) Surfacing. Any off-street parking area must be paved with either blacktop or concrete so as to provide a durable and dustless surface. The area must be graded and drained in order to dispose of all surface water away from adjacent properties, and must be arranged and marked as to provide for orderly and safe loading, unloading, parking and storage of all vehicles.

(d) Lighting. Lighting used to illuminate an off-street parking area shall be so arranged as to reflect the lighting away from adjoining premises.

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

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Section 3. This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately by and upon its passage, and the approval of two-thirds of the members of said Council. However, this Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date provided by law if approved by no more than the majority of the members of Council and in that event, the emergency provisions herein are set at naught.

Passed this 18th day of December, 2025.

Steve Aslach
President of Council

ATTEST: Caroline Stegman
Clerk of Council

Approved this 18th day of December, 2025.

[Signature]
Mayor

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I, CAROLINE STEGMAN, CLERK OF COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF OHIO, DO HEREBY testify that the publication of Ordinance No. 31, 2025, was made by posting true copies of the same in the most public places designated by Council: the Village website; and the Village social media account, for a period of fifteen (15) days or more commencing December 18th, 2025.

ATTEST: Caroline Stegman DATE December 18th 2025
Clerk of Council

Approved as to form John Sandusky Date 18 Dec 2025
Director of Law