Introduced by Steve Patterson, Chair
City & Safety Services Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE, TITLE 9, GENERAL
REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 9.15, PARKS, OPEN SPACES, AND NATURE
PRESERVES, SECTION 9.15.02, USE OF TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS,
OR TOBACCO DERIVATIVES PROHIBITED; AND TITLE 13, GENERAL
OFFENSES, CHAPTER 13.07, MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES, SECTION
13.07.06, LITTERING PUBLIC WAYS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The Athens City Code, Title 9, General Regulations, Chapter
9.15, Parks, Open Spaces, and Nature Preserves, Section 9.15.02, Use of
Tobacco, Tobacco Products, or Tobacco Derivatives Prohibited, shall be amended
to read as follows:

Chapter 9.15. Parks, Open Spaces, and Nature Preserves

9.15.02. DEFINITION.

"USE OF ANY FORM OF TOBACCO" MEANS ALL USES OF TOBACCO,
INCLUDING INHALING, EXHALING, BURNING, OR CARRYING ANY LIGHTED
CIGAR, CIGARETTE, PIPE, OTHER LIGHTED SMOKING DEVICE OR PAPERS
FOR BURNING TOBACCO, OR ANY OTHER PLANT; CHEWING TOBACCO,
SNUFF, OR ANY OTHER MATTER OR SUBSTANCES THAT CONTAIN
TOBACCO.

9.15.03. USE OF TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, OR TOBACCO
DERIVATIVES PROHIBITED.

(A) NO PERSON SHALL USE ANY FORM OF TOBACCO AT OR ON ANY
CITY-OWNED OR OPERATED OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL
FACILITIES, INCLUDING PARKING AREAS, RESTROOMS,
SPECTATOR, AND CONCESSION AREAS. OUTDOOR RECREATION
FACILITIES INCLUDE PLAYGROUNDS, ATHLETIC FIELDS, AQUATIC
AREAS, PARKS, PAVILIONS, SHELTERS, AND WALKING/HIKING
TRAILS OR PATHS.
9.15.04. POSTING OF SIGNS.

(A) CITY-OWNED OR OPERATED OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES SHALL CAUSE TO BE CONSPICUOUSLY POSTED “TOBACCO-FREE”, “NO SMOKING”, OR “SMOKING PROHIBITED” SIGNS AT THE ENTRANCE TO EACH SUCH FACILITY.

SECTION II: The Athens City Code, Title 13, General Offenses, Chapter 13.07, Miscellaneous Offenses, Section 13.07.06, Littering Public Ways, shall be amended to read as follows:

13.07.06. Littering public ways.

No person shall place or dispose of in any manner any garbage, waste, or peelings of vegetables or fruits, rubbish, ashes, cans, bottles, wire, paper, cartons, boxes, parts of automobiles, wagons, furniture, glass, oil, TOBACCO PRODUCTS or anything else of an unsightly or unsanitary nature along or near or on any public road, street, parkway, park, drive, highway, ditch, or any land adjoining any public road or highway or ditch, except on land provided by a zoning commission, city ordinance, or other governmental authority, unless directed to do so by public officials on special cleanup days. Citations for violations of this section may be issued by code enforcement officers, police officers, meter attendants, sanitary litter control officer, and others assigned by the service-safety director.

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at the earliest moment permitted by law upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

President of Council

Mayor