

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 30043

Ordinance No. 2026-3-0

Passed 02-09-2026, 20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF BREMEN'S PROHIBITION OF SEX-OFFENDERS FROM ESTABLISHING OR OCCUPYING A RESIDENCE WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF PUBLIC AREAS WHERE CHILDREN MAY BE PRESENT

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Bremen considers the safety of its residents, especially the safety of children, of paramount importance; and

WHEREAS, with Ordinance 3-04-11, adopted on March 14, 2011, Council for the Village of Bremen created and adopted a law prohibiting individuals who have been convicted of, have pleaded guilty to, or plead guilty to a sexually oriented offense or a child-victim oriented offense from establishing and/or occupying a residential premises within one thousand (1,000 feet) of certain designated public areas where children may be present; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of this Ordinance 3-04-11, Ohio law regarding the residential restrictions for sex-offenders has evolved and been amended by the General Assembly multiple times; and

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Bremen now wants to amend and replace its previously codified ordinance to reflect current Ohio law and ensure children within the Village continue to receive the utmost protection from sexual predators.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BREMEN, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: No person who has been convicted of, has pleaded guilty to, or pleads guilty to a sexually oriented offense or a child-victim oriented offense, as defined by R.C. 2950.01, shall establish or occupy a residential premises within one thousand (1,000) feet of any school premises, preschool or child care center premises, children's crisis care center premises, and residential infant care premises, as defined by R.C. 2950.034, or any public park, public playground, public library, public swimming pool, public athletic fields, or church.

SECTION 2: If a person violates Section 1 by establishing a residence or occupying a residential premises within one thousand (1,000) feet of any of the restricted locations mentioned in Section 1, the Village Solicitor, may bring an action for equitable relief, including injunctive relief, in a court of appropriate jurisdiction against such person to enforce the terms of this Ordinance. In addition, a violation of Section 1 hereof may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable by a fine up to the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and up to six (6) months in jail. Each day a person violates Section 1 hereof shall be considered a separate violation.

SECTION 3: All prior legislation, or any parts thereof, which is/are inconsistent with this Ordinance is/are hereby repealed as to the inconsistent parts thereto.

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SECTION 4: It is hereby 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 any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

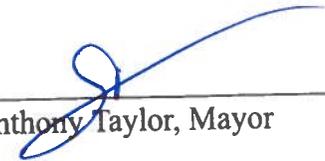
SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Approved as to form:

Motion by: M. Brown
Second by: J. Schmeltzer
Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

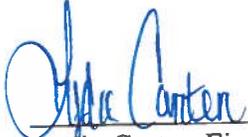
Motion to waive three reading rule: M. Brown
Seconded by: J. Schmeltzer
Yeas: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Passed in Council this 9th day of February, 2026.



Anthony Taylor, Mayor

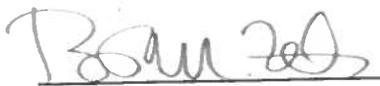
ATTEST:



Lydia Carter, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 30th day of January 2026:



Brian M. Zets, Esq.
Village Solicitor