VILLAGE OF GENOA CITY, WISCONSIN

ORDINANCE NO: 2025 O-12 AMENDING CHAPTER 234-3 & 310-63 DRIVEWAYS

The Village Board of Genoa City, Walworth and Kenosha Counties, Wisconsin does

Hereby ordain as follows:

1. § 234-3. Driveways.

A. See § 310-63. (note: the remainder of § 234-3 is deleted)

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§ 310-63. Driveways.
All driveways installed, altered, changed, replaced, or extended after the effective date of this chapter shall meet the following requirements:

A. Approval required. No person shall construct or maintain any driveway across any public right-of-way, terrace, sidewalk, or curbing without first obtaining a permit. Permit to cut the curb, or to replace apron and/or sidewalk shall be obtained from the Public Works Director through a Right-of-Way permit prior to such action.

B. Standards.

1. **Location.** Vehicular entrances and exits for high traffic businesses (banks, restaurants, motels, funeral homes, vehicle sales, service, washing and repair stations, public parking lots, etc.) shall be greater than 200 feet from any pedestrian entrances or exits for a place of public assembly (school, church, medical center, park, playground, library, public emergency shelter, etc.).

2. **Interference with intersections prohibited.** At street intersections a driveway shall not provide direct ingress or egress to or from the street intersection area and shall not occupy areas of the roadway deemed necessary by the Village Board for effective traffic control or for highway signs or signals. On corner lots, driveways shall be located at least 50-feet from the right-of-way line, or as far as possible.

3. **Interference with street.** No driveway apron shall extend out into the street farther than the face of the curb, and under no circumstances shall such driveway apron extend into the gutter area. All driveway entrances and approaches shall be so constructed that they shall not interfere with the drainage of streets, side ditches or roadside areas or with any existing structure on the right-of-way. When required by the Public Works Director to provide for adequate surface water drainage along the street, the property owner shall provide any necessary culvert pipe at his own expense.

4. **Number of approaches limited.** No more than one driveway entrance and approach shall be constructed for any lot or premises except where deemed necessary and feasible without undue impairment of safety, convenience and utility

of the street by the Public Works Director. Any two approaches shall be at least 10-feet apart.

5. **Permittee liable for damage or injury.** The permittee shall assume all responsibility for any injury or damage to persons or property resulting directly or indirectly during construction or repair of driveway approaches or entrances. When curb or gutter is removed, the new connection shall be of equivalent acceptable material and curb returns provided or restored in a neat, workmanlike manner. Driveway surfaces shall connect with the street pavement and sidewalk in a neat, workmanlike manner.

C. **Specifications.**

1. **Width.** Driveways shall be at least 10-feet wide for residential (1 & 2 family) dwellings and a minimum of 20-feet for all other uses. Openings for vehicular ingress and egress shall not exceed 24-feet at the property line and 30-feet at the roadway. The Village Engineer may approve a greater driveway width if demonstrated need for truck turning movements.

2. **Thickness.** All driveway aprons from curb of street to the right-of-way line shall be paved with 7-inches of reinforced concrete over a minimum of 4-inches of crushed compacted gravel.

   Existing asphalt/blacktop residential (1 & 2 family) driveway aprons have the option to replace with either asphalt or concrete. Replacement asphalt aprons shall be paved with 4-inches of asphalt from the curb or roadway to the property line over 6-inches of crushed compacted gravel.

3. **Slope.** Aprons shall slope toward the roadway at 1% minimum. The maximum geometric change in grade between the apron slope and roadway shall be 10%.

4. **Angle.** Driveways shall align at a right angle to the street.

5. **Separation.**
   a. Distance between commercial and industrial driveway openings shall be a minimum of 20-feet between all driveways.
   b. Distance between commercial and industrial driveway openings shall be a minimum 10-feet from all lot lines and measured from the flared ends at curb line or roadway pavement when no curb exists.
   c. Residential driveway openings shall be a minimum of 8-feet between driveways and 4-feet from all lot lines where street yard lot line intersects. This shall be measured from the flared end at curb line or roadway pavement when no curb exists.
   d. Residential driveways on private property should be a minimum of 3-feet from property line, with 0 (zero) setback permitted with a survey detailing lot line location and contours detailing storm water control to prevent a nuisance discharge on an adjacent neighbor.

2. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and publication as required by section 6.78, Wis. Stats.

VILLAGE OF GENOA CITY

BY: _____

KENNETH PARKER, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

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JACKIE PETRITIS, CLERK TREASURER