TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY RESOLUTION 2021-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE COTTAGE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF COTTAGE TERRACE AT THE DEAD END IN FRONT OF 4222 COTTAGE TERRACE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COTTAGE CITY COMMUNITY GARDEN, AS A LOADING ZONE WITH RESTRICTED PARKING; PROVIDING FOR THE ERECTION AND PLACEMENT OF ALL APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS AND DEVICES; PROVIDING THAT THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ITS DESIGNEES SHALL ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Introduced by: Town of Cottage City Commission

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 66 of the Town Charter, the Town has control of all public ways in the Town except those that are under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Administration, and subject to the laws of the State of Maryland and said charter, the Town may do whatever it deems necessary to establish, operate, and maintain in good condition the public ways of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-102 of the Transportation Article ("TR Art.") of the Maryland Code grants to the legislative body of every local authority in Maryland, including the Town of Cottage City, general power to regulate traffic by means of traffic control devices, to designate roadways as one-way highways, and to adopt such other traffic regulations as are allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-104 of the TR Art. states that the State Highway Administration shall adopt a manual and specifications for a uniform system of traffic control devices, consistent with the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law, for use on highways in this State, and that this uniform system shall correlate with and, as far as possible, conform to the system set forth in the most recent edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-109 of the TR Art. grants to the legislative body of every local authority in Maryland, including the Town of Cottage City, as to highways under its jurisdiction, general powers to designate through highways and place appropriate signs at specified locations; and

WHEREAS, Section 25-106 of the TR Art. states that "[o]n every highway under its jurisdiction, a local authority shall place and maintain those traffic control devices that it considers necessary to carry out the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law or local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn, or guide traffic [and] each of these traffic control devices shall conform to the manual and specifications of the State Highway Administration," and

WHEREAS, Section 6-9, having the catchphrase of "Peace and Good Order," of the Code of the Town of Cottage City (the "Town Code") requires that all persons must obey all rules and signs posted by authority of the Town on public property and rights of way; and

WHEREAS, Section 9-4, having the catchphrase of "Parking signs, traffic control devices, and notices," of the Town Code, as amended, authorizes the Cottage City Commission to erect such signs, traffic control devices and notices regarding parking and traffic for the common good but that the order to take such action shall be issued by ordinance or written resolution and said ordinance or resolution

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or a fair summary thereof shall be published in the Town newsletter or a newspaper of general circulation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Cottage City Commission finds that the regulation of vehicular traffic is necessary to promote pedestrian and traffic safety, to advise motorists of the proper and safe use of the Town's roadways, to protect the public and the residents from hazardous conditions, and to accomplish other purposes in furtherance of the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that the Cottage City Commission hereby approves, adopts, and orders the following:

- A. The Town shall install signage in accordance with the Maryland Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (2011 ed.) to designate a No Parking/Loading Zone (R7 series signs) starting at a point ("Point A") located at the extreme northwest corner of the improved, northerly dead end of Cottage Terrace at the west edge of the storm drain inlet and extending 40 feet in a southwesterly manner along the curb line directly adjacent to the Community Garden at 4222 Cottage Terrace to a point ("Point B") near the street existing light.
- B. The above-described signage (i.e., two signs total) shall be 12" by 18" and read "No Parking- 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Mon. Fri.)" (R7-2a sign) in red letters having a left arrow sign located at Point A pointing Southwest and a right arrow at Point B, pointing Northeast.
- C. In addition to the signage designating the "No Parking Zone" (R7-2a sign), each "No Parking Sign" shall include a plague sign mounted below including in red letters the words "Loading Zone 30 min." (R8-3gP sign) and the curb shall be painted yellow.
- D. A "Fire Hydrant Zone" shall be designated at the improved, northerly dead end of Cottage Terrance by painting the curb red for a distance of 15 feet along either side of the existing fire hydrant in accordance with Section 9-5.D of the Town Code.
- E. No person shall park any vehicle in said loading zone during the times indicated other than for the loading or unloading of goods and materials. Use is for a time limit of 30 minutes per vehicle.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that the Cottage City Police Department and its designees are hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of Section 6-9 of the Code of the Town of Cottage City, including enforcement of the loading zone parking spaces established by this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that a fair summary of this Resolution shall be published in the Town newsletter and on the Town website within 30 days of the effective date of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that the Commissioner-Chairman shall be authorized to sign this Resolution on behalf of the Commission.

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

INTRODUCED by the Cottage City Commission at a Meeting held on August 11, 2021.

PASSED by the Cottage City Commission at a Meeting held on September 8, 2021.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY, MARYLAND

Consuella Barbour, Town Manager

Wanda Wheatley, Commissioner-Chair

CERTIFICATION

I, HEREBY CERTIFY, as the duly appointed Town Manager of the Town of Cottage City, Maryland, that on the 8th day of September 2021 with Aye votes and Nay votes, the aforesaid Resolution 2021-04 passed.

Consuella Barbour, Town Manager

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