

BILL NO. 25-075

ORDINANCE NO. 5012

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AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW SECTION 16-191 NON-EMERGENT USE OF GENERATOR, IN CHAPTER 16 - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES ARTICLE V. - OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE, ORDER AND SAFETY OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HANNIBAL

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Hannibal:

Section 1. WHEREAS, The City Council has determined that use of fossil fuel powered generators for generating electricity on residential and commercial property for non-emergent purposes creates unnecessary noise which disturbs the comfort peace and repose of neighboring property owners;

AND WHEREAS, The City Council has further determined that use of fossil fuel powered generators for generating electricity on residential and commercial property for non-emergent purposes, can create an unreasonable danger or hazard of fire, or create other conditions which are dangerous to the Citizens of Hannibal;

AND WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing it is within the reasonable police powers of the City of Hannibal to regulate such activity:

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council hereby revises CHAPTER 16 - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES ARTICLE V. - OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE, ORDER AND SAFETY, of the Ordinances of the City of Hannibal as follows:

Section 1 That a new Section 16-191 is created as follows:

16-191 NON-EMERGENT USE OF GENERATOR.

- (a) DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this ordinance these itemized words and phrases shall have the following meanings:
1. "Generator" is defined as a device or equipment using an internal combustion engine to generate or supply electricity to a residential or commercial property by use of a fossil fuel source, including gasoline, diesel fuel, natural gas or propane.

2. "Power Outage" means a period of time in which electrical power is not being provided to the real property due to an issue outside the control of the property owner, tenant, or other user of the real property.
 3. "Temporary unavailability of electricity" means the service cannot be turned on by the utility providing the service to the property due to an issue outside the control of the property owner, tenant, or other user of the real property.
- (b) No person shall operate a generator, except during periods of power outage, during a temporary unavailability of electricity, for periodic testing of the generator and related equipment, during construction on the real property, or for necessary maintenance on the real property.
 - (c) Citations for violation of this ordinance may be issued by a police officer, a community service officer or an official of the building inspector's office.
 - (d) Use of generators or other method of electrical production in an area zoned industrial, including but not limited to cogeneration, regeneration or other methods of producing electricity shall not be construed to be a violation of this ordinance.
 - (e) Violations of this ordinance shall be governed in accordance with Section 1-14 of the ordinances of the City of Hannibal.

Section 3 All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance, in so far as they conflict, are hereby repealed.

Section 4 That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Adopted on this 18th day of November 2025.

Approved on this 18th day of November 2025.



Darrell McCoy, Mayor

Attest:



Melissa Cogdal, City Clerk