

**CITY OF MANCHESTER  
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
ORDINANCE No. 9**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF MANCHESTER'S BLIGHT  
ORDINANCE REGARDING ABANDONED VEHICLES AND PENALTIES  
FOR BLIGHT**

THE CITY OF MANCHESTER, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, HEREBY ORDAINS:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO 92.121 (B) (1) OF THE MANCHESTER CODE OF ORDINANCES**

In any area, except where specifically permitted by zoning or other applicable ordinance, the storage upon any property of junk automobiles, junk motor-driven vehicles, trailers in disrepair, contractor's equipment in disrepair, or boat hulls in disrepair, except in a completely enclosed building.

For the purpose of this division, the terms "junk vehicles," "junk motor-driven vehicles," "trailers in disrepair," "contractor's equipment in disrepair," or "boat hulls in disrepair" shall include any such article which is not licensed for use upon the highways of the state or lakes and waterways; and shall also include, whether so licensed or not, any of the above enumerated articles which are inoperative.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT TO 92.999 OF THE MANCHESTER CODE OF ORDINANCES**

(A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject guilty of a civil infraction punishable by section § 10.12 of the Manchester Code of Ordinances.

(B) A person who fails or refuses to comply with an order approved or modified by the City of Manchester or Board of Appeals under § 92.017(B) within the time prescribed by that section is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 120 days, or a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both.

(C) Any person who violates a provision of §§ 92.050 through 92.060 shall be guilty of a civil infraction. If the person responsible for an activity which violates §§ 92.050 through 92.060 cannot be determined, the owner, lessee, or occupant of the property on which the activity is located, shall be deemed responsible for the violation. A person found responsible for a violation of §§ 92.050 through 92.060 or who violates §§ 92.050 through 92.060 shall be guilty of a civil infraction.

(D) Any person who violates §§ 92.105 or 92.106 or any provision thereof shall be guilty of a civil infraction.

(E) (1) The owner, if possible, and the occupant of any property upon which any of the causes of blight or blighting factors set forth in § 92.121 are found to

exist shall be notified in writing to remove or eliminate the causes of blight or blighting factors from the property within 10 days after service of this notice upon him. The notice shall be served as prescribed in this code.

(2) Failure to comply with the notice within the time allowed the owner and/or occupant shall constitute a violation of §§ 92.120 and 92.121.

(3) Violation of §§ 92.120 and 92.121 shall be punishable as prescribed in § 10.12, and, in addition, action to abate the condition may be taken as herein authorized.

(5) (a) In addition to the above remedies, the City may institute any appropriate action or proceedings to prevent any erection, construction, alteration, repair, maintenance, or use which is in violation of the provisions of §§ 92.120 and 92.121; to restrain, correct, abate the violation; to prevent the occupancy of any building, structure, or land; to prevent any act, conduct, business, or use in and about any premises in violation of §§ 92.120 and 92.121, by any appropriate civil or criminal proceeding.

### **SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS**

All other City ordinances, City Council resolutions, and parts thereof that conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and shall be of no further force or effect.

### **SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

### **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a synopsis of this Ordinance, to be published in the manner required by law within fifteen (15) days after it has been duly adopted by the City Council. The effective date shall be the 20<sup>th</sup> day after the date of publication.

Adopted: 2/17/2025

Published: 2/26/2025

Effective: 3/18/2025

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Brittany Kuhnle, am the Clerk for the City of Manchester and certify that the above Ordinance was offered by member Dresch and supported by member Woods and the following council members voted:

AYE: Chartrand, Dresch, Harvey, LaRocque, Way, Woods, Vaillencourt

NAY: None

ABSTAINED OR ABSENT: None

Further, this Ordinance, or a synopsis of this Ordinance, was published in the Manchester Mirror, a newspaper circulated in the City of Manchester on February 26, 2025.

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Brittany Kuhnle, City Clerk

Dated: February 17, 2025