

TEMPORARY ORDINANCE NO. 10-13

PERMANENT ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LANCASTER CODIFIED ORDINANCE 373.13 PATHS EXCLUSIVELY FOR BICYCLES, REPEAL EXISTING 373.13, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the street and sidewalk ordinance are being updated;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 373.13 be amended as follows.

373.13 PATHS EXCLUSIVELY FOR BICYCLES.

(a) No person shall operate a motor vehicle, snowmobile, golf cart, or all-purpose vehicle upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, except for public safety services, public maintenance vehicles, and electric wheelchairs used by a disabled person or if permitted by a special event organized by Lancaster Parks and Recreation.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, whoever violates this section is guilty of a fourth degree misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. (ORC 4511.713)

SECTION 2. That existing Chapter 373.13 be repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City, and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to properly protect pedestrians/bikers on the bike trail from threat of motor vehicles, wherefore this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Public Works Committee