

Village of Waldo
Sheboygan County, Wisconsin

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 67 OF THE
VILLAGE OF WALDO MUNICIPAL CODE
CONCERNING THE USE OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS
AND TRAILERS FOR STORAGE**

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that the use of shipping containers, cargo containers, portable on demand storage (PODS), store and move (SAM) containers, trailers, and similar units for storage of personal property produces unsightly property conditions that threaten to depreciate the value of surrounding property; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that the conversion of shipping containers, cargo containers, portable on demand storage (PODS), store and move (SAM) containers, trailers and similar units into structures intended for residential use, occupancy or as accessory structures does not conform to the minimum requirements and standards of the Village Building Codes and that the use of such containers in residential districts threatens the value of surrounding property and threatens the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that shipping containers, cargo containers, portable on demand storage (PODS), store and move (SAM) containers, trailers and similar units are not designed or intended for long term storage of combustible household materials and such use poses and increases the risk of fire; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that amending the Village Municipal Code as set forth below would protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Village;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Waldo, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Creating Code. Section 67-25 of the Village of Waldo Code of Ordinances is created as follows:

§ 67-25. Shipping Containers.

A. Definitions.

- (1) "Shipping Container" means any shipping container, cargo container, portable on demand storage (PODS), store and move (SAM) container and similar unit with or without axles and wheels.
- (2) "Trailer" means a trailer manufactured primarily for the conveyance of goods and property with or without axles and wheels.

- B. Prohibition. No person shall place, cause to be placed, use, or permit the use of any shipping container or trailer as an accessory building, storage structure, or building used for any type of human occupancy on any residentially zoned land or any property the primary use of which is residential.
- C. Exceptions. The temporary placement and use for residential moving purposes of portable on demand storage (PODS) and store and move (SAM) containers for not more than 9 consecutive days, and not exceeding 30 days in a calendar year, is not a violation of this section.
- D. Penalties; Enforcement. The penalty for violation of this Section shall be a forfeiture of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00 plus the cost of prosecution. Penalties are doubled for second and subsequent offenses. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense. For continued or repeated violations, the Village may seek equitable relief to remove offending units and enjoin future violations.

Section 2. Severability. Should any portion of this ordinance or the affected municipal code be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect the day after publication or posting.

Enacted on: July 8, 2024

VILLAGE OF WALDO

By: 
Gary R. Dekker, President

By: 
Lisa Gillette, Clerk/Treasurer

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF ENACTMENT

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly enacted by the Village Board of the Village of Waldo on the date indicated above.

Dated: 7/19, 2024


Lisa Gillette, Village Clerk/Treasurer

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