

# City of Paynesville

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ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION No. 002/2013

## GENERAL PROVISIONS ON MUNICIPAL FINES

**WHEREAS**, SECTION FOUR(4) OF THE LEGISLATIVE ACT OF 1974 which creates in lieu the City of Paynesville empowers the City Government of the Paynesville to levy taxes, impose fines alsoadoptregulations as may be necessary for City purposes from time-to-time;

**WHEREAS**, the City Government of Paynesville has resolved and elected to adopt an Administrative regulation that would specifically address issues of Municipal Fines for all violations of the City Ordinances which shall supersede all previous fine provisions within the City Ordinance,either stated directly or indirectly;

**WHEREAS**, this Administrative regulation shall take immediate effect upon its adoption and shall supersede all previous fine provision in relation to City Ordinance and shall further remain the only administrative tool that would determine the categories and imposition of Municipal Fines within the Municipality of Paynesville until otherwise provided;

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is ordained that effective as of the signing date of this regulation the City Government shall levy all such fines in the form and manner as follows:

- Section 1. Anyone who disposes garbage at an unauthorized or undesigned site and time, shall be subject to a fine of not less than Fifty United States Dollars (US\$50.00) and not more than Two Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$250.00).
- Section 2. Selling of foodstuff in the street, sidewalk, or throughout Government Offices shall be prohibited. Items affected include such edible: oranges, bananas, coconut candy, corn, cassava, peanuts, sugarcane, avocado(butter pear), candy, cigarettes, chicklets, fish and other food; etc. Anyone violator shall be subject to a fine not less then Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) and not more than Two Hundred United States Dollars(US\$200.00).

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- Section 3. Littering(dropping of trash) by pedestrians or motorists within the City limits is strictly prohibited. Anyone found guilty of littering shall pay a fine of not less than Fifty United States Dollars (US \$50.00) and not more than One Hundred United States Dollars (US \$100.00).
- Section 4. Occupants (whether owner or lessee) of residences, commercial houses and factories of all types, religious buildings and all civic buildings are required to clean around and in front of their premises up to the sidewalk and to keep them clean at all times. Cleaning shall include the trimming of all hedges and trees and cutting of grass on their property. No dump sites on these properties shall be permitted. Violators shall pay a fine of One Hundred United States Dollars(US\$100.00) AND not more than Three Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$350.00).
- Section 5. Owner of vacant lot or other undeveloped parcel of land within the City Limits is required to keep property clean at all times. Grass on vacant lots must be at lawn level, and no dumping of waste on undeveloped property shall be permitted except where it is authorized by the City Government. Where an owner of undeveloped real estate fails to keep his or her property clean,violators shall pay a fine not less then One Hundred United States Dollars(US\$100.00) and not more then Two Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$250.00).
- Section 6. Anyone found erecting bill boards and other directional signs without authorization from the City Government, shall pay a fine not less than One Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$150.00) AND not more than Three Hundred United States Dollars(US\$300.00). Upon the payment of the fine, said persons or institutions shall proceed to pay regular advertising fees within Thirty days (30). Failure of to do so shall leave the City Government with no other alternative but to remove and confiscate said bill boards or directional signs.
- Section 7. All persons doing business withinthe City are required to pay their municipal taxes within the time frame indicated on the Municipal Bill. Persons or businesses in violation shall pay a fine amounting to 10% of the taxed amount representing penalty for non compliance and City Government shall furhter subject said businesses to closure.
- Section 8. All persons or businesses are prohibited from playing loud music within the City Limits so as to avoid public nuisance. Anyone in violation thereof, shall pay a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars(US\$50.00) and not more than Four Hundred United States Dollars(US\$400.00).
- Section 9. The City Government of Paynesville is under moral responsibility to protect the social fabric of the Municipality and as such require all habitants thereof to do like wise in order to protect the future of the young generation. Anyone found

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promoting prostitution within the Municipality or using his or her facility to promote prostitution especially under age children shall be, in the first instance, arrested, prosecuted and fined the amount not less than Five Hundred United States Dollars and not more than Seven Hundred United States Dollars(US\$700.00). If there are reasons to believe that the person is continuously in the act of promoting prostitution, the City Government shall reserve the right to demolish the facility being used for the promotion of prostitution so as to maintain public moral order within the municipality.

- Section 10. Any one found constructing structures within the Municipality without first seeking the authorization of the City Government, shall be subject to a fine of not less than Fifty United States Dollars (US\$50.00) and not more than Five Hundred States Dollars(US\$500.00) AND such person shall be extended a STOP ORDER until the requirements for constructing structure within the Municipality are met.
- Section 11. All buildings within the Municipality including business or entertainment centers shall therein contain a bathroom/s. Violators of this provision shall be subject to a fine not less than Twenty Five United States Dollars(US\$25.00) and not more than Two Hundred United States Dollars(US\$200.00). After the payment of the fine, violator shall be required to ensure that bathroom facility is built, in one week and failure of which shall leave the City Government with the discretion of taking alternative decisions against the violator(s).
- Section 12. Owners of video clubs are prohibited from showing explicit (XXX) movies and are required not to show movies during regular school hours. Violators shall pay a fine of not less than Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) and not more than Two Hundred United States Dollars(US\$200.00).
- Section 13. Parking of vehicles and other types of motorists such as motor cycles, bicycles etc. in prohibited locations within the municipality shall not be entertained. Any vehicles or motorcycles etc. found violating this provision shall be impounded by the City Authority and a fine not less than Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) and not more than Two Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$250.00) shall be imposed. Such fine shall be paid within Thirty(30) days failure of which shall subject said vehicle(s), motorcycle(s) etc to public auction in line with the legal process.
- Section 14. Owners of garages are to ensure that their garages are enclosed in a fence. Any garage (s) not enclosed in a fence shall be deemed a make shift garage. Violators of this provision shall be subject to a fine of not less than Fifty United States Dollars (US\$50.00)and not more than Two Hundred United States Dollars(US\$200.00).

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- Section 15. No one shall be allowed to bury corpses in residential areas. All corpses should be buried at sites designated by the City Government. Anyone found in violation shall pay a fine of not less than One Hundred United States Dollars(US\$100.00) and not more than Two Hundred Fifty United States Dollars(US\$250.00).
- Section 16. No one shall be allowed to use swamps and other vacant lots for latrine purposes. Anyone in violation shall be arrested and detained within statutory period and a fine not less than Twenty Five United States and not more than Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) shall be imposed.
- Section 17. All businesses within the Municipality are to be registered within data base of the Paynesville City Corporation. Any business found operating within the Municipality without meeting the registration requirements of the City Government, shall be subject to immediate closure and a fine not less than One Hundred United States Dollars (US\$100.00) and not more than Five Hundred United States Dollars (US\$500.00) shall be imposed and the payment of such fine and subsequent registration with the City Corporation shall serve as the precondition for reopening; however, if there are showings that the business has been opened prior to the discovery, said business shall pay the City Government Municipal Tax retroactively.
- Section 18. No persons, individuals, or institution shall burn garbage within the Municipality. Violators shall pay a fine not less than Twenty Five United States(US\$25.00) and not more than Three Hundred Fifty United States Dollars (US\$350.00).
- Section 19. Owners of residential buildings, Public buildings, and Commercial buildings are to paint the exterior of premises on or before December 15. Violators shall pay a fine not less than One Hundred United States Dollars (US\$100.00) and not more than Four Hundred United States Dollars(US\$400.00)
- Section 20. All street parades including street crusades, musical concerts, etc. within the Municipality are to be authorized by the City Government. Violators shall risk their instruments being confiscated and a fine not less than Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) and not more than Three Hundred United States Dollars(US\$300.00) shall be imposed.
- Section 21. No child or children below the age of ten(10) shall be allowed to sell within the principal streets of the Municipality. The Parent(s) of said child or childred shall be held liable for violation of this provision and shall be detained by the City Government within statutory time and a fine not less than Twenty United States Dollars (US\$20.00) and not more than One Hundred United States Dollars(US\$100.00) shall be imposed

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- Section 22. No one shall, from time-to-time impede or obstruct the workings or statutory functions of the Paynesville City Corporation, either by abusing, fighting, etc. any of its employees or designated agents who has been authorized to carry out a specific duty. Anyone in violation of this provision shall be arrested and detained within statutory time and a payment of fine not less than One Hundred United States Dollars (US\$100.00) and not more than Three Hundred United States Dollars(US\$300.00) shall be imposed.
- Section 23. Anyone found selling on holidays and Sundays, without obtaining a permit from the City Government shall pay a fine not less than Fifty United States Dollars(US\$50.00) and more than Four Hundred United States Dollars(US\$400.00).
- Section 24. The City Government shall maintain and prohibit encroachment on all alleyways including other government properties. Anyone found constructing in an alleyway shall be ordered to stop and be summoned to show cause; said person shall also be subject to a fine not less than One Hundred United States Dollars (US\$100.00) and not more than Three Hundred United States Dollars (US\$300.00). The City Government shall, under circumstances open or demolish all illegal structures on alleyway to ensure that the inhabitants of the community have access to their property with the right to ingress and regress and to further ensure emergency vehicles such as Ambulance, Police, and Fire Services have access to the communities under all circumstances but most especially a urgent situation and under said circumstances, the City Government shall not be required to attain formal court process for the institution and execution of said action.

ANY OTHER THING NOT WITSTANDING.



SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hon. C. Cyvette M. Gibson  
Acting Mayor/City of Paynesville

DONE ON THIS 4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF November, A.D 2013

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