

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
ORDINANCE 2025-110**

**AN ORDINANCE DELETING CHAPTER 11, MECHANICAL VENDING
MACHINES AND AMUSEMENT DEVICES, AND ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 11
“VILLAGE FACILITY USAGE”**

WHEREAS, the Village of Vernon Hills is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Section 6(a) of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois and, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 6(a) of Article VII, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs including, but not limited to, the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals and welfare; to license; to tax; and to incur debt; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1, provides that the corporate authorities of each Illinois municipality may pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities, with such fees or penalties as may be deemed proper; and

WHEREAS, under a separate ordinance, the regulations of Chapter 11, Mechanical Vending Machines and Amusement Devices, are to be relocated to Article 14 of Chapter 10 Licenses, Permits, and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, of the Vernon Hills Village Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 11 will become obsolete and available for re-use due to the amendments to Chapter 10; and

WHEREAS, the regulations pertaining to the use of Village Facilities, currently in Section 10-17 of Chapter 10, are not related to business licensing and would be more appropriate as a separate chapter; and

WHEREAS, Staff has recommended that Chapter 11 be re-titled “Village Facility Usage” and that the regulations currently in Section 10-17 be relocated to Chapter 11; and

WHEREAS, related amendments to Chapter 7 and Chapter 10, have been prepared for consideration in separate ordinances. Amendments to the schedule of fees in Chapter 25 to reflect these changes have been prepared for consideration in a separate ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole discussed Staff’s recommendation and reviewed the draft code amendments at its meeting on September 2, 2025, with the consensus of the Committee to recommend approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees has determined that the requested amendments are in the best interest of the Village of Vernon Hills and hereby adopts this ordinance amending the Vernon Hills Village Code pursuant to its authority to establish reasonable regulations pertaining to the use of land and establish license and permitting requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated into and made part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Chapter 11, Mechanical Vending Machines and Amusement Devices, is hereby deleted in its entirety. Chapter 11 is hereby re-titled “Village Facility Usage” and is amended to insert the regulations as described in **Exhibit A**, “Chapter 11, Village Facility Usage, Draft for Board Consideration – September 16, 2025.”

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. In the event that any section, clause, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be found and determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid parts shall remain in full force and effect. If any part of this ordinance is found to be invalid in any one or more of its several applications, all valid applications that are severable from the invalid applications shall remain in effect.

SECTION 4. REPEAL AND SAVINGS CLAUSE. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect any rights, actions or causes of action which shall have accrued to the Village of Vernon Hills prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

SECTION 6. ORDINANCE NUMBER. This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance Number 2025-110.

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 7 – Marquardt, Oppenheim, Takaoka, Forster, Schenk, Lundeen, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None


Thom Koch, Jr., Village President

PASSED: 09/16/2025

APPROVED: 09/16/2025

ATTEST: 09/16/2025


Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



EXHIBIT A

Chapter 11, Village Facility Usage

Draft for Board Consideration – September 16, 2025

[TO BE INSERTED IN ITS ENTIRETY]

CHAPTER 11. VILLAGE FACILITY USAGE

Sec. 11-1. Purpose.

It is the intent of the Village to offer certain facilities owned and operated by the Village to be made available for use by the public. The use of Village facilities shall be regulated by this chapter.

Sec. 11-2. Arbor Theater.

The following rules and regulations shall apply to the Arbor Theater:

- (1) The Arbor Theater site shall be open from dawn until 10:30 p.m., except for late closing for community events as authorized by the board of trustees of the village.
- (2) Lighting on the site, will be turned off at closing, except for security and flag lights.
- (3) No alcohol will be permitted on-site without a permit being heretofore obtained from the village or the board of trustees. This does not pertain to alcohol purchased from a licensed vendor authorized to operate on the site by the board of trustees of the village.
- (4) No motor vehicles will be permitted on the site, except located in the parking lot. This provision does not apply to village authorized service vehicles.
- (5) No sales shall be permitted on the site, except as authorized by the board of trustees of the village.
- (6) No pets shall be permitted within the site, except those on leash. All residents bringing pets to the site shall be subject to the other rules and regulations contained in the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Vernon Hills, pertaining to pet litter control.
- (7) No fishing, hunting or trapping shall be permitted within the Arbor Theater property.
- (8) No rollerblading, rollerskating, skateboarding, horseback riding or bicycle riding shall be allowed on the paths within the Arbor Theater.
- (9) The performance pavilion shall not be made available for general public use, and shall only be utilized for events operated by the Village of Vernon Hills or its designated contractor.
- (10) Amplified music, loudspeakers, and similar devices audible beyond the property line shall be prohibited except in conjunction with programming arranged by the Village of Vernon Hills or its designated contractor.

Sec. 11-3. Vernon Hills Athletic Complex (VHAC), Community Rooms, and other facilities

The Village of Vernon Hills may adopt policies from time to time pertaining to the usage of the facilities within the Vernon Hills Athletic Complex (VHAC), Village Hall community rooms, and other Village-owned facilities. Policies can include, but are not limited to, regulations pertaining to hours of operation, security requirements, insurance requirements, usage fees, reservation procedures, and defining areas to be excluding from reservations. The current version of such policies for each facility shall be kept on file with the Village Clerk.

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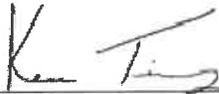
THE 16th AY OF SEPTEMBER 2025

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Vernon Hills, Lake County, Illinois, this
16th day of September, 2025

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

I, KEVIN TIMONY, BEING FIRST DULY APPOINTED, DEPOSES AND SAYS ON OATH THAT AS VILLAGE CLERK OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, HE DID CAUSE THE FOREGOING CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINANCE NO. 2025-110 AN ORDINANCE DELETING CHAPTER 11, MECHANICAL VENDING MACHINES AND AMUSEMENT DEVICES, AND ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 11 "VILLAGE FACILITY USAGE" TO BE POSTED IN THE VILLAGE HALL AS REQUIRED BY LAW FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME
THIS 16th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025



Notary Public

