

**ORDINANCE NO. 20-C**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, IOWA, 2014 BY ADDING TWO (2) NEW SECTIONS LIMITING THE ACCUMULATION OF JUNK AND FAILURE TO MAINTAIN STRUCTURES TO CHAPTER 50**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Cambridge, Iowa:

**SECTION 50.02.** The Code of Ordinances of the City of Cambridge, Iowa, (date) is amended by adding a new Section in Chapter 50, numbered 50.02(13) and 50.02(14), entitled ACCUMULATION OF JUNK and FAILURE TO MAINTAIN STRUCTURES, which is hereby adopted to read as follows:

50.02(13) ACCUMULATION OF JUNK: The accumulation of junk, refuse, trash, paper, cardboard, building materials, scrap lumber, inoperable or currently unlicensed vehicles or trailers; unused vehicle or machine parts or components; unused or unusable lawnmowers or lawn equipment; unused or unusable boats, motorcycles, dirt bikes, 4-wheelers, all-terrain vehicles or snowmobiles; unused or unusable equipment, fixtures or appliances; unsightly or broken furniture, bicycles or toys in the yard area; and any and all other similar items to the extent that the overall appearance of the premises may tend to adversely impact the economic fair market value of other properties in the immediate vicinity.


50.02(14) FAILURE TO MAINTAIN STRUCTURES: Failure to properly maintain one or more structures on the premises to the extent that the structures deteriorate to a sub-standard state of repair as evidenced by one or more of the following : broken or rotted siding, defective or missing shingles, broken, cracked or missing windows or doors or panes of glass in the windows or doors; dilapidated structural members, foundation or chimney components; siding that is missing, not finished or in serious need of repainting to the extent the lack of paint is substantial, immediately noticeable and renders the structure unsightly and constitutes an eyesore; all of which, taken together as a whole, renders the structure or structures unreasonably offensive to the senses of the average, reasonable citizen or to the extent that the overall appearance of the structure(s) may tend to adversely impact the economic fair market value of other properties in the

immediate vicinity. A failure to complete an addition or remodeling project in a reasonable amount of time and as limited by the applicable building permit or other limitations of this Code or at the discretion of the City, which failure to complete renders the premises unsightly and offensive to the senses is also a violation of this subsection.

Passed by the Council the 8th day of September, 2020 and approved this 8th day of September, 2020.

  
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Steven P. Kovarik, Mayor

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Debra L. Thompson, City Clerk