

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WEST BLOOMFIELD**

**ORDINANCE NO. C- 762**

**STOP WORK ORDER ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

An ordinance to amend the process for stop work orders to authorize issuance by all Township personnel with appearance ticket authority and to provide for pre-order notices.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WEST BLOOMFIELD ORDAINS:

**Section 1 of Ordinance**

The West Bloomfield Charter Township Code is hereby amended by amending Section 1-12 in Chapter 1, General Provisions, to read as follows:

**Sec. 1-12. Stop work orders; violations and penalties.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any Code provisions to the contrary, after a written violation notice from a township officer, employee or agent with appearance ticket authority under section 1-11, that work on any property within the township should be stopped because it is being done in violation of a provision of this Code, a stop work order may be issued immediately when there is an imminent danger to persons, property or the environment from the violation. In other situations, a stop work order may be issued if the property owner or such owner's agent does not appear at the township as specified in the notice and show or demonstrate good cause for it being issued. The notice shall allow at least one (1) full township business day for the appearance. If a stop work order is issued, such work shall be immediately stopped. The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property involved, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work, and posted upon the property in a manner which will be in plain view of any person doing work upon the property. The stop work order shall state the scope of the stop work order and state the conditions under which work may be resumed.
- (b) Any person who shall perform any work on or about the property after having been served with a stop work order or otherwise having notice of the stop work order, except such work as that person is directed by the township to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or both, at the discretion of the court. Each act of violation and every day upon which such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense.

- (c) Any person who shall remove a posted stop work order notice placed upon any premises shall be liable to a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

**Section 2 of Ordinance**

The sanction for violation of Section 1-12 as hereby amended is as a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days and/or a fine of not more than \$500.00 as provided in Section 1-10 of the West Bloomfield Charter Township Code.

**Section 3 of Ordinance**

Should any section, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, be declared by the Courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part as invalidated.

**Section 4 of Ordinance**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication.

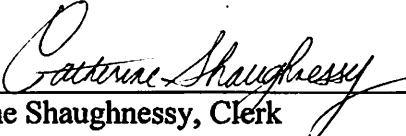
**CERTIFICATION**

I certify that this Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of West Bloomfield at a meeting duly called and held on June 4, 2012, 2012.

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June 5, 2012  
Date

By:

  
Catherine Shaughnessy, Clerk