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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VIII,
SECTION 191-42A OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
MOUNT VERNON, ENTITLED "GAS-POWERED
LEAF AND LAWN BLOWERS"

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 21, 2023, the Clerk of the City of Mount Vernon, New York, Tanesia M. Walters, has requested legislation to amend the gasoline-powered leaf blower regulations in the City of Mount Vernon in order to safeguard public health, welfare, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the general public has expressed concerns regarding noise pollution, the spread of airborne pollutants, and evolving seasonal needs with regard to leaf removal; and

WHEREAS, this amendment incorporates feedback from the general public, as well as the needs of the City, thereby providing a balanced policy in the city of Mount Vernon; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:


Section 1. § 191-42A Gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers is hereby amended as follows:

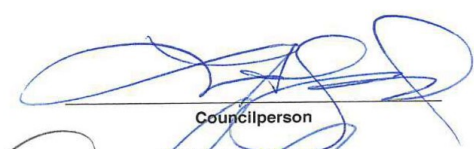
A. No person shall operate a gas-powered leaf and lawn blower for any purpose except during the months of [April and October 1 to {November 15} November 30] March 1st through April 30th and October 1st through December 31st of each year. Any other non-gas leaf blowers may be operated from June 1st through September 30th. This will allow for the complete collection and removal of leaves that fall throughout the year. Any person violating this prohibition shall be subject to a written warning for the first offense, a fine not to exceed \$250.00 for the second offense, \$500.00 for the third offense, and \$1,000.00 for the fourth offense and any subsequent offense thereafter. The operator of the leaf blower and the homeowner shall be subject to the fine.

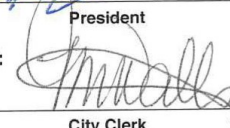
Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon the filing in the Clerk's Office.

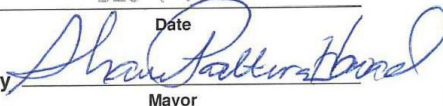
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Vote Taken As Follows: 12/13/2023
Copeland: Yea Gleason: Yea
Poteat: Yea Thompson: Yea
Browne: Yea Ordinance Adopted

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Assistant Corporation Counsel

THIS ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL

Councilperson

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED
DEC 14 2023
Date
By 
Mayor

Dept. _____

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