

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2019-324

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3 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

4
5 DATE September 9, 2019

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7 COMMITTEE Public Works

8 **An Ordinance amending Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of**
9 **Summit, entitled “Bridge Weight Limits,” to place a load limit on the Wright Road Bridge**
10 **over Pigeon Creek located in Copley Township, in Council District 5, and to remove a load**
11 **limit on the West Bath Road Bridge over the Cuyahoga River, located in the City of Akron,**
12 **in Council District 4, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

13 WHEREAS, Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled
14 “Bridge Weight Limits,” limits the gross weight of vehicles authorized to travel on certain
15 bridges that are inspected by the County Engineer; and

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17 WHEREAS, due a recent bridge inspection and load rating conducted by Arcadis U.S.
18 Inc, the Engineer has concluded that a load limit should be placed on the Wright Road Bridge
19 over Pigeon Creek, located in Copley Township, in Council District 5; and

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21 WHEREAS, the West Bath Road Bridge over the Cuyahoga River, located in the City of
22 Akron, is under construction and closed to traffic, with the project contractor planning to reopen
23 the rehabilitated bridge in October of 2019, allowing the bridge to carry a full legal load; and

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25 WHEREAS, the placement and removal of load limits of bridges requires the amendment
26 of Section 339.12; and

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28 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
29 that amending Section 339.12 is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit for
30 the aforementioned reasons;

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32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
33 of Ohio, that;

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35 SECTION 1

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37 Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled “Bridge
38 Weight Limits,” is hereby amended as follows:

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40 **“339.12 BRIDGE WEIGHT LIMITS.**

41 (a) No person shall operate any vehicle upon any of the following bridges, if such vehicle,
42 the gross weight of which, exceeds the maximum load limit specified for each respective bridge:

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<u>Bridge</u>	<u>Maximum Load Limit</u>
(1) Riverview Road Bridge (CUY-009-0870) Over Furnace Run	25 tons

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4 SECTION 1 (Cont.)

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6 (2) Medina Line Road Bridge (NTC-002-0071) 2-axles: 15 tons
7 Over Mohler Ditch 3-axles: 19 tons
8 4-axles: 20 tons
9 5-axles: 23 tons
10 6 or more: axles 25 tons
11 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:33 tons
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- 13 (3) Christman Road Bridge (GRT-239-0104) 2-axles: 8 tons
14 Over Nimisila Reservoir 3-axles: 9 tons
15 4-axles: 9 tons
16 5-axles: 9 tons
17 6 or axles: 10 tons
18 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:15 tons
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- 20 ~~(4) West Bath Road Bridge (AKR-048-0615)~~ 5 tons
21 ~~Over Cuyahoga River~~
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- 23 (4) Wright Road Bridge (COP-206-0150) 10 tons
24 Over Pigeon Creek
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- 26 (5) Yellow Creek Road Bridge (BAT-033-0026) 2-axles: 15 tons
27 Over Yellow Creek 3-axles: 23 tons
28 4-axles: 26 tons
29 5-axles: 30 tons
30 6 or axles: 30 tons
31 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:40 tons
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- 33 (6) Bath Road Bridge (BAT-048-0273) 2-axles: 15 tons
34 Over North Fork 3-axles: 23 tons
35 4-axles: 26 tons
36 5-axles: 30 tons
37 6 or axles: 30 tons
38 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:40 tons
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- 40 (7) Granger Road Bridge (BAT-079-0203) 2-axles: 15 tons
41 Over Yellow Creek 3-axles: 23 tons
42 4-axles: 26 tons
43 5-axles: 30 tons
44 6 or axles: 30 tons
45 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:40 tons
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- 47 (8) Granger Road Bridge (BAT-079-0221) 2-axles: 15 tons
48 Over Yellow Creek 3-axles: 23 tons
49 4-axles: 26 tons
50 5-axles: 30 tons
51 6 or axles: 30 tons

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4 SECTION 1 (Cont.)

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6 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:40 tons

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8 (9) Granger Road Bridge (BAT-079-0283) 2-axles: 15 tons
9 Over North Fork 3-axles: 23 tons
10 4-axles: 26 tons
11 5-axles: 30 tons
12 6 or axles: 30 tons
13 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:40 tons

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15 (10) Riverview Road Bridge (BST-009-1430) 2-axles: 15 tons
16 Over Columbia Run 3-axles: 22 tons
17 4-axles: 22 tons
18 5-axles: 25 tons
19 6 or axles: 28 tons
20 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:38 tons

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22 (11) Highland Road Bridge (SAG-111-0000) 2-axles: 15 tons
23 Over Cuyahoga River 3-axles: 22 tons
24 4-axles: 22 tons
25 5-axles:25 tons
26 6 or axles: 28 tons
27 5 axle semi-tractor trailer:38 tons

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29 RESTRICTIONS ON EMERGENCY VEHICLES ONLY:

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31 (12) South Street Bridge (AKR-001-0044) 2-axles: 29 tons
32 Over Ohio Canal 3-axles: 36 tons

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34 (13) Cleveland Massillon Rd Bridge (COP-017-1141) 2-axles: 29 tons
35 Over Wolf Creek 3-axles: 36 tons

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37 (14) Minor Road Bridge (COP-207-0161) 2-axles: 29 tons
38 Over Wolf Creek 3-axles: 36 tons

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40 (15) Barber Road Bridge (NTC-053-0072) 2-axles: 29 tons
41 Over Wolf Creek 3-axles: 41 tons

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43 (16) Pressler Road Bridge (SPR-137-0002) 2-axles: 29 tons
44 Over S. Fork Tuscarawas River 3-axles: 30 tons

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46 (b) The County Engineer shall place and maintain, at both ends of each respective bridge,
47 signs of substantial construction to conspicuously indicate the maximum weight limitations of
48 vehicle and load as provided herein.

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50 (c) In addition to criminal prosecution for violation of this section, in case of any injury to
51 any bridge by reason of the violation of the weight limitation, damages shall be recovered by
52 civil action on behalf of the County.
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4 SECTION 1 (Cont.)

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6 (d) Whoever violates any provision of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first
7 offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a
8 misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the second
9 offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.”

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11 SECTION 2

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13 This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
14 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately
15 amend Section 339.12 allowing local officials to enforce a bridge load limit and keep Summit
16 County motorists safe.

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18 SECTION 3

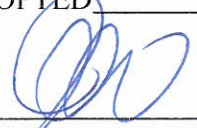
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20 Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
21 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
22 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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24 SECTION 4

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26 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
27 to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
28 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
29 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
30 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

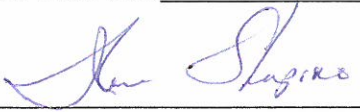
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33 INTRODUCED August 19, 2019

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36 ADOPTED September 9, 2019

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41 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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45 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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47 APPROVED September 10, 2019

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51 EXECUTIVE

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53 September 10, 2019
54 ENACTED EFFECTIVE

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56 Voice Vote YES: 10-0 Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler,
57 McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite
58 ABSENT: Hamilton