

ORDINANCE NO. 35, 2022

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD
CODIFIED ORDINANCES SECTION 121.08 REGARDING THE
EXPENDITURE LIMIT REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, St. Bernard passed Ordinance No. 16, 2013, codified as Section 121.08, which allowed Village officials to spend up to \$25,000.00 without requiring approval from Council; and

WHEREAS, St. Bernard passed Ordinance No. 25, 2020 temporarily allowing the Village officials to spend up to \$50,000.00 without requiring approval from council due to the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency that was declared by the Governor of the State of Ohio, which has expired; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code allows expenditures in a larger amount without requiring approval; and

WHEREAS, the St. Bernard Council believes the \$25,000.00 limit set under the codified ordinances need to be permanently raised to \$50,000.00 due to increased cost and inflation; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of St. Bernard deems it necessary to continue limiting the expenditures of Village officials in order to better control the operating budget of the Village of St. Bernard; now therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD,
STATE OF OHIO:**

Section 1. Section 121.08 of the Village of St. Bernard Codified Ordinances which reads as follows:

All expenditures in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) shall require Council approval by ordinance.

(a) During the state of emergency declared by the Governor of the State of Ohio arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, all expenditures up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) from the CRF CORONA 19 Care line item 20-01 will not require Council approval by Ordinance.

(b) Upon the termination of the state of emergency declared by the Governor of the State of Ohio arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, all expenditures in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) shall require Council approval by Ordinance.

Shall be amended to read as follows:

All expenditures in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) shall require Council approval by ordinance.

Section 2. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. The reason for the emergency is the immediate necessity for increase of expenditures amount to reflect increased cost and inflation. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately by and upon its passage, and the approval of two-thirds of the members of said Council. However, this Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date provided by law if approved by no more than the majority of the members of Council and in that event the emergency provisions herein are set at naught.

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Passed this 17th day of November, 2022.

President of Council

ATTEST:
Carole Stegman
Clerk of Council

Approved this 17th day of November, 2022.

[Signature]
Mayor

I, CAROLINE STEGMAN, CLERK OF COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF OHIO, DO HEREBY testify that the publication of Ordinance No. 35, 2022, was made by posting true copies of the same in the most public places designated by Council; City Hall at Vine Street and Washington Avenue; for a period of fifteen (15) days or more commencing November 17th 2022.

ATTEST: *Carole Stegman* DATE 11/17/2022
Clerk of Council

Approved as to form *Samuel M. [Signature]* Date 17 Nov 2022
Director of Law

