

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

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**AGENDA**

AUGUST 21, 2025 | 6:00PM | MAYOR'S OFFICE

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Review minutes from June 12, 2025
3. Discussion
  - A. Status of Zoning Ordinance – R Gregory
  - B. Burn Permit
  - C. Number of Liquor/Package Stores
  - D. Other
4. Public Comment
5. Adjourn

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ORDINANCE #xxx-2025xx

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE NUMBER OF LIQUOR AND PACKAGE STORES PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Hartsville/Trousdale County Government recognizes the authority of the State of Tennessee through the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to regulate the licensing and operation of retail liquor stores and package stores; and

WHEREAS, the Hartsville/Trousdale County Government acknowledges the need to align local regulations with state laws and ensure clarity for prospective and existing business owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE HARTSVILLE / TROUSDALE COUNTY COMMISSION as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE The purpose of this ordinance is to declare that Hartsville/Trousdale County shall not impose a numerical limit on the number of liquor stores or package stores that may operate within the county, provided that such establishments are duly licensed and in compliance with applicable laws.

SECTION 2. NO LIMIT ON NUMBER OF LIQUOR OR PACKAGE STORES There shall be no maximum number or cap imposed by Hartsville/Trousdale County Government on the number of liquor stores or package stores permitted to operate within the boundaries of Hartsville/Trousdale County.

SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAWS All liquor stores and package stores operating within Hartsville/Trousdale County must:

- A. Obtain and maintain all licenses and permits required by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC);
B. Abide by all applicable provisions of Title 57 of the Tennessee Code Annotated relating to alcoholic beverages;
C. Remain in compliance with all applicable sections of the Hartsville/Trousdale County Municipal Code, including but not limited to zoning, business licensing, signage, hours of operation, and health and safety regulations.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY If any section, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Public Hearing to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ if passed on 1st reading

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_
1M \_\_\_\_\_ Electronic Vote
First Reading \_\_\_\_\_ 2m \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_
1M \_\_\_\_\_ Electronic Vote
Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_ 2m \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_

Approved:

Attest:

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

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**ORDINANCE #XXX-2025-XX**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 7 OF THE HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY CODE  
BY ADDING SECTION 7-207 BURN PERMITS**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to provide for a safe and peaceful community for our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hartsville/Trousdale County Volunteer Fire Department along with the Codes and Zoning Committee recommends that current chapters within Title 7 of the Hartsville/Trousdale County Code be reviewed and edited to better service the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hartsville/Trousdale County Code Title 7 Fire Protection and Fireworks must reflect current laws, ordinances, and practices as required by the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Hartsville/Trousdale County Commission meeting in regular session, that

SECTION 1. The Hartsville/Trousdale County Municipal Code Title 7 be amended as attached to this Ordinance by adding Section 7-207. Burn Permits.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage per the second reading by the County Commission, the public welfare requiring it.

*Recommended by the Codes & Zoning Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.  
Public Hearing to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ if approved on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading*

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

First Reading \_\_\_\_\_ 1M \_\_\_\_\_ **Electronic Vote**  
2m \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_ 1M \_\_\_\_\_ **Electronic Vote**  
2m \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_

**Approved:**

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Commission Chairman*

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*County Clerk*

## CHAPTER 2

### FIRE CODE

#### SECTION

- 7-201 Fire Code Adopted
- 7-202 Enforcement
- 7-203 Definition of municipality
- 7-204 Gasoline Trucks
- 7-205 Variances
- 7-206 Violations

#### **7-207 Burn Permits**

**7-207. Burn Permits.** Subject refers to open burning within the Urban Services District and is Restricted as follows:

**Definition:** Open burning refers to the burning of any material in an open area where the combustion byproducts are released directly into the air and outside of an enclosed space.

**(1) Open Burning Permitted Without a Permit:** The following types of open burning may be conducted without a permit, provided that no public nuisance is or will be created by the open burning: (a) Fires used for the cooking of food or for ceremonial or recreational purposes, including barbecues, fire pits, and outdoor fireplaces. (b) Fires set for the training and instruction of firemen or for research in fire protection or prevention or Right-of-Way clearing by authorized contractor(s).

**(2) Open Burning Requiring a Permit:** The open burning of trees, limbs, leaves, brush, and grass shall be conducted by permit only.

**(3) Prohibited Open Burning:** No person shall cause, suffer, allow, or permit open burning of the following:

- Refuse
- Garbage
- Trade Waste
- Flammables
- Combustibles
- Wood Scraps
- Materials from Construction or Salvage Operations

**(4) Liability for Damages:** Adherence to these regulations will not relieve the person responsible for such burning from the consequences of any damages, injuries, or claims resulting from such open burning.

**(5) Compliance with Tennessee Air Quality Act:** Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with or be contrary to the Tennessee Air Quality Act (Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-22-108, et seq.). The person or organization seeking a permit shall be solely responsible for compliance with the Act in the event a permit is issued.

- (6) Compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA):** Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with or be contrary to TCA 39-14-304 (Reckless Burning) or TCA 39-14-306 (Setting Fires at Certain Times Without a Permit).
- (7) Penalties for Non-Compliance:** Failure to obtain the required burn permit or to comply with the open burning regulations may result in punitive actions, including but not limited to fines, penalties, or other legal actions.
- (8) Ordinance Superseding:** Adoption of this ordinance voids, vacates, and supersedes Ordinance #9-93 entitled "An Ordinance of the Town of Hartsville, Tennessee, to amend Title 7, Chapter 2, Section 7-202 of the Hartsville Municipal Code."
- (9) Permit Application Availability:** Burn permit applications are available at the Trousdale County Clerk's office.
- (10) Application Fee:** A \$20 application fee is required with each burn permit application.