

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF  
THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH, MICHIGAN**

**THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH ORDAINS** that the City of St. Joseph Zoning Ordinance adopted by Chapter 33 of the City of St. Joseph Code of Ordinances and codified as Appendix A is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article III – General Provisions; Section 3.15 – Temporary Buildings and Structures, is hereby amended in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 3.15. Temporary buildings and structures.

3.15.1. *General.* Temporary Buildings and Structures, not greater than 300 square feet in area, may be placed on a lot or parcel of record and occupied as authorized by a temporary zoning permit issued by the zoning administrator. These temporary buildings and structures shall be incidental to construction, repair, and renovation work, shall be removed within 15 days after the work is complete, and in no case shall the building or structure be allowed more than 12 months, unless expressly authorized by the zoning administrator.

3.15.2 *Seasonal Temporary Structures.* Seasonal temporary structures designed for short-term commercial use, such as special event tents, igloos, or similar structures, are allowed in the C – Commercial Business District under the following conditions:

1. The temporary structure and its use are associated with the principal use found on the property.
2. The temporary structure cannot be located on the property for more than 180 days in a 365-day period.
3. The maximum size of the temporary structure is 3,000 square feet.
4. The maximum height of the temporary structure is 14 feet.
5. Temporary structures must comply with all required principal building setbacks, separation requirements, lot coverage, and clear vision areas.
6. Only one temporary structure is allowed per lot, with the exception of restroom facilities.
7. Parking shall be provided for the use established in the temporary structure in accordance with Article XVIII.
8. The temporary structure must be installed and maintained in compliance with the manufacturer’s instructions, applicable fire code regulations, and applicable health and safety codes.
9. All required permits must be obtained and work approved before utilizing the temporary structure, including but not limited to a temporary occupancy permit issued by the building official and a zoning permit issued by the zoning administrator.

3.15.3. *Churches and Schools.* Temporary building incidental to a church or school, provided that all wiring, plumbing, fire protection, and exits are approved by the fire chief and building inspector, and by relevant state agencies.

3.15.4. *Habitation of Temporary Structures, Seasonal Temporary Structures, Accessory Structures, and Recreational Vehicles.* No temporary structure, seasonal temporary structure, garage, barn, accessory building, basement, or recreational vehicle, whether fixed or portable, shall be used or occupied as a dwelling unit. (Ord. of 3-4-24(4))

**All provisions of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Joseph not hereby amended remain in full force and effect.**

This ordinance shall take effect 10 days after its final passage.