

STATE OF WISCONSIN VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN WASHINGTON COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12.03 OF THE GERMANTOWN MUNICIPAL  
CODE RELATED TO SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF OUTDOOR  
ENTERTAINMENT PERMITS

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WHEREAS, the Village Board previously created section 12.03 of the Germantown Municipal Code which established an Outdoor Entertainment Permit within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board recognizes that noise is threat to the public health and welfare, public safety, quality of life and property values; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board similarly recognizes that amenities within the Village, including outdoor entertainment during the warmer months, also improves the quality of life for residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to amend the Municipal Code to provide for detailed enforcement procedures for violations of an Outdoor Entertainment Permit; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that proper regulation of noise within the Village furthers the public health, safety and welfare of the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Village Board of the Village of Germantown, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

SECTION I

Section 12.03(7) of the Germantown Municipal Code is created to read as follows:

**12.03 OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT.**

**(7) SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION.**

(a) In addition to the penalty provided in sub. (6), any outdoor entertainment permit issued may be revoked or suspended for cause by the Village Board. Whenever complaint is made by a citizen alleging repeated violations of this section, the Police Chief, Fire Chief, or Community Development Director shall investigate, or cause the investigation of, the complaint. After the investigation, if the inspecting officer believes violations exist that warrant revocation or suspension of the outdoor entertainment permit, such officer shall make a written report of their findings and recommendation that enforcement proceedings be commenced to the Public Safety Committee. Based upon this recommendation, the Public

Safety Committee may choose to commence a hearing as provided below. Upon motion of the Public Safety Committee, on its own or upon the recommendation of the inspecting officer, or Village Board, a hearing shall be held before the Public Safety Committee after written notice of not less than seven (7) days to the permit holder. Upon the conclusion of the hearing, the Public Safety Committee shall forward a recommendation with respect to revocation or suspension to the Village Board who shall consider the recommendation and determine whether to suspend, revoke, or place additional conditions upon a permit. The recommendation of the Public Safety Committee regarding the permit shall be based on the substantial evidence presented at the hearing. Village Board shall consider the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee and determine whether to suspend, revoke, or place additional conditions upon a permit.

(b) If a retail alcohol beverage license or permit for a premises is suspended or revoked, and the licensee/permittee also holds an outdoor entertainment permit for the same property, the outdoor entertainment permit shall be revoked or suspended for the same time period as the alcohol beverage license or permit.

SECTION II

The terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable. Should any term or provision of this ordinance be found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III

All ordinances or parts of ordinances contravening the terms of this ordinance are hereby to that extent repealed.

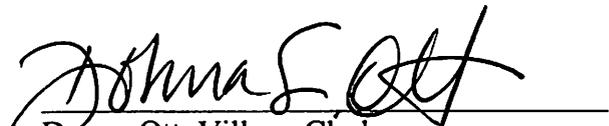
SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage and the day after its publication.

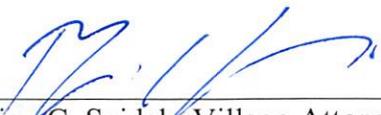
Adopted: March 17, 2025

  
Dean Wolter, Village President

ATTEST:

  
Donna Ott, Village Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Brian C. Sajdak, Village Attorney

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