

ORDINANCE NO. 244-14

BY: **BRIAN DAY**
(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT SECTION 642.055
“FLYING MODEL AIRCRAFT” OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF
PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, this section will prohibit the flying of model aircraft, unmanned aircraft, or drones and it is necessary in order to prevent any interference with Life Flights with University Hospital Parma Medical Center located on Powers Boulevard; and,

WHEREAS, it will support Parma Court Rule PCR 26(B)(2) which prohibits any type of recording of proceedings in the Judge’s chambers or the jury deliberation room at the Parma Justice Center located on Powers Boulevard; and,

WHEREAS, it will prevent disruption in the governance of Parma City Hall located at 6611 Ridge Road which conducts all municipal business; and,

WHEREAS, it will also prevent anyone from conducting aerial surveillance over the jail, court, and police facilities located on the Parma Justice Center property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Section 642.055 “Flying Model Aircraft” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Parma, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

“642.055 FLYING MODEL AIRCRAFT.

- (a) **No person shall fly within the city limits of Parma any model aircraft, unmanned aircraft, or drone which is controlled by radio, electronic or similar free flight operation by a person on the ground or otherwise, in a manner that the aircraft flies within 1,000 feet of the property boundary lines of University Hospital Parma Medical Center located at 7007 Powers Boulevard; the Parma Justice Center located at 5555 Powers Boulevard; and Parma City Hall located at 6611 Ridge Road, all within the jurisdiction limits of the City of Parma.**
- (b) **Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.”**

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to prohibit this activity in the near future, and this Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____ PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: _____ MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO