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Ernest L. Reddick, Program Administrator  
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R.A. Gray Building  
500 S. Bronough Street, Room 101  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Mr. Reddick:

I am transmitting herewith, Taylor County Ordinance No. 2019-07.

The Taylor County Commission adopted this Ordinance at its' regular meeting held on Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

Same is transmitted to your office in compliance with Chapter 125 Florida Statutes.

Very truly yours,

*Annie Mae Murphy*

Annie Mae Murphy, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
Taylor County, Florida

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Enc.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-07

**AN ORDINANCE OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA WHICH PROHIBITS SMOKING OF TOBACCO, USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND VAPING AT OR IN HODGES PARK, SOUTHSIDE PARK, HAMPTON SPRINGS HISTORICAL SITE, KEATON BEACH COASTAL PARK, TAYLOR COUNTY SPORTS COMPLEX, SHADY GROVE COMMUNITY CENTER AND PARK AND STEINHATCHEE COMMUNITY CENTER AND PARK; PROVIDING PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, Florida, have been informed that smoking tobacco products and vaping is hazardous to health and especially harmful to young citizens of our County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has also found that some citizens are vaping and smoking on the recreational properties of Taylor County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board wants to prohibit smoking of tobacco, use of tobacco products and vaping in the following properties in Taylor County, to-wit: Hodges Park, Southside Park, Hampton Springs Historical Site, Keaton Beach Coastal Park, Taylor County Sports Complex, Shady Grove Community Center and Park and Steinhatchee Community Center and Park.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO-WIT:**

Section 1. DEFINITIONS

A. Vaping: The inhaling of a vapor created by an electronic cigarette (e-cigarette) or other vaping device.

B. Electronic cigarette (E-cigarette): An electronic cigarette or e-cigarette is a handheld electronic device that simulates the experience of smoking a cigarette. It works by heating a liquid which generates an aerosol or "vapor" that is inhaled by the user.

C. Taylor County Properties:

Hodges Park

Southside Park

Hampton Springs Historical Site

Keaton Beach Coastal Park

Taylor County Sports Complex

Shady Grove Community Center and Park

Steinhatchee Community Center and Park

Section 2. It is unlawful to smoke tobacco products, use tobacco products and vape on the above Taylor County properties.

Section 3. Penalties.

A. A person found smoking tobacco products, using tobacco products or vaping on the above properties is guilty of a civil infraction and subject to a fine of up to \$25.00.

B. Any subsequent infraction by the same person, the fine will also be \$25.00.

Section 4. Enforcement.

A. In addition to the Taylor County Sheriff's Office who may issue citations for violation of this Ordinance, the Taylor County Code Enforcement Officer is authorized to issue citations for the violation of this Ordinance.

B. The citation shall be in this form:

**CITATION**

You have been observed smoking tobacco products, using tobacco products or vaping on Taylor County property, to-wit: \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, at \_\_\_\_\_ .m.

The fine for said violation is \$25.00 payable at the Taylor County Annex at 201 East Green Street, Perry, Florida and is payable within ten (10) days of the date of the citation.

If you wish to contest the fine, you can request a hearing before the County Administrator within ten (10) days of the date of the citation.

The decision of the County Administrator is final.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

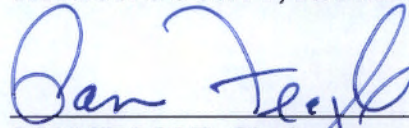
Section 5. Severability. If any section, portion or phrase of this Ordinance is ruled invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon receipt of official acknowledgement from the Office of the Secretary of State of Florida that this Ordinance has been filed in said office.

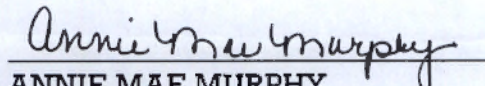
PASSED and ADOPTED in regular session by the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, Florida, on this 19th day of November, 2019.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

  
PAM FEAGLE, Chairperson

ATTEST

  
ANNIE MAE MURPHY,  
Clerk of Court