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The Village Adopts A New Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking On All City Property

The Oklahoma City-County Health Department applauds The Village City Council’s adoption of an ordinance prohibiting smoking and use of lighted tobacco in all buildings and all property owned or operated by the city along with the Village Development and Public Works Authority.

“The ordinance is effective immediately, but we will not enforce the ordinance for 60 days to allow for public education and signage to be posted,” said The Village City Manager Bruce Stone.

“We’ve talked about doing this for over a year and our council realizes it’s important to have clean air and reduce the exposure to second-hand smoke,” said The Village Mayor David Bennett.

“This is a major step taken by City leadership to create a healthier environment for residents,” said Youth Tobacco Control Coordinator Brittney Hodges with the Wellness Now Tobacco Use Prevention Workgroup.

For free assistance to quit smoking or using tobacco, call the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline at 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669). For Spanish call 1-855-DEJALO-YA (1-855-335-3569).

The Helpline is available 24 hours a day or online at www.OKhelpline.com . Registration and support is free for both services and a free two-week starter kit of nicotine patches, gum or lozenges is available.

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