

**AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 931 OF THE STREETS, UTILITIES
AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE REQUIRING INSTALLATION OF
UNDERGROUND UTILITIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES**

WHEREAS, Section 6.1.4 of the Village Subdivision Regulations require, in new subdivisions, installation of the following utilities underground in accordance with the requirements of the National Electric Code:

- (a) Communication cables
- (b) Distribution cables for power and street lighting from a common distribution system and the equipment and housing necessary in the operation of the distribution system.
- (c) Adequate provision for street light lamps and standards in accordance with a design approved by Council; and

WHEREAS, this Council wishes to require the installation of underground utilities on all major streets and thoroughfares in the Village for new utility construction or major reconstruction of the utilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That a new Chapter 931 of the Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code entitled "Underground Utilities" be enacted to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 931
Underground Utilities

931.01 REQUIREMENTS.

In addition to the requirements of Section 6.1.4 of the Village Subdivision Regulations, in any major street or thoroughfare, new construction of communication cables and cables for power and street lighting from a common distribution system and the equipment and housing necessary in the operation of the distribution system shall be installed underground. Whenever more than fifty percent (50%) of communication cables or power and street lighting cables are repaired in any major street or thoroughfare, the owner or operator of the cables shall be required to install the cables underground."

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: November 21, 1995

Patricia S. Healey
President of Council

Richard A. [Signature]
Mayor

Dated: 11/27/95

ATTEST:

Carol Gibson
Clerk of Council