

**TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA**

**ORDINANCE NO.: 1534**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN ORDINANCE NO.: 1252 "BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ST. JOHN SUBDIVISION CONTROL ORDINANCE PASSED ON AUGUST 10, 1992, AND MORE PARTICULARLY, BEING AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SUBDIVISION OF LAND; DEFINING TERMS; PROVIDING REGULATIONS, REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS AND DESIGN STANDARDS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE PRESENTATION, APPROVAL, AND RECORDING OF PLATS; STORM WATER DRAINAGE GUIDELINES; PARK DEDICATION PROCEDURES; AS WELL AS ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT GUIDELINES", AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND TOWN CODE PROVISIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.**

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has reviewed certain terms and provisions of Town Ordinance No.: 1252 governing subdivision regulations for the Town, as amended from time to time; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has been advised by Town Administrative Staff that a certain text amendment to Town Ordinance No.: 1252 is advisable and recommended concerning Roundabouts, which are also known as a Traffic Circles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, held a Public Hearing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011, pursuant to published notice as required by applicable law, to consider adding a certain text provision to Town Ordinance No.: 1252 pertaining to Roundabouts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has certified its Favorable Recommendation to the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that Town Ordinance No.: 1252 requires modification and amendment of a certain text provision contained therein pertaining to Roundabout (Traffic Circle) specifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, having reviewed the recommended text amendment to Town Ordinance No.: 1252, now concurs that such amendments are advisable, appropriate, and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of St. John to amend Town Ordinance No.: 1252 to add Roundabout specifications, as certified.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION ONE:** That Subsection T., entitled Roundabouts (Traffic Circles) Design Specifications, of Section 3, entitled Streets, of Title V, entitled **DESIGN STANDARDS**, of the St. John Subdivision Control Ordinance No. 1252 be, and the same is hereby added to read and provide hereinafter as follows:

**TITLE V –**

**Section 3**

**“T. Roundabouts (Traffic Circles) Design Specifications**

At the sole option of the Plan Commission, a new subdivision may incorporate Roundabouts (Traffic Circles) where traffic congestion may be of concern. Any such approval by the Plan Commission shall be made during the approval of the subdivision. Roundabouts shall utilize the following design specifications:

- The Central Island Diameter (Interior radius of the circle) shall have a face of curb of 66 feet and a back of curb of 64.5 feet to allow for an 18 inch depressed curb and gutter section.
- The Inscribed Circle diameter (Face of Curb) shall be 94 feet.
- The Central Island shall have a 5 feet wide concrete truck apron immediately adjacent to the depressed curb and gutter. The pavement section for the truck island shall be minimally 8 inches of INDOT Class A concrete over 12 inches of compacted INDOT #53 limestone.
- Circulating Lane Width shall be minimally 26.5 feet.
- Entry and exit lane widths shall be minimally 15 feet.
- Entry and Exit Curve Radius shall be minimally 51.5 feet.
- Splitter Island Radius shall be minimally 66 feet.
- Entry Speed shall be a maximum of 20 miles per hour.
- Roundabouts shall otherwise conform to the Roundabout Design Specifications detail sheet attached hereto
- Signage shall conform to the Roundabout Design Specifications detail sheet attached hereto.

Roundabout landscaping plans shall be submitted and approved by the Plan Commission when a Roundabout is approved. Landscaping design considerations shall take into account sight distances and plant selections shall be such that minimal maintenance is required.”

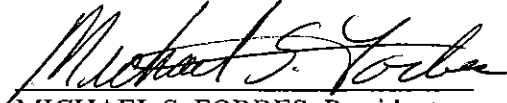
**SECTION TWO:** That all existing Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal effect, and are specifically repealed.

**SECTION THREE:** If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance.

**SECTION FOUR:** That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage by the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, and publication in conformance with applicable law.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF March,  
2011, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA.

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