

**ORDINANCE NO. 1894**

**A HOME RULE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF TOWN  
BUSINESS THROUGH VARIOUS MEANS**

**WHEREAS,** Indiana Code § 36-1-3-5(a) states that "Except as provided in subsection (b), a unit may exercise any power it has to the extent that the power: (1) is not expressly denied by the Indiana Constitution or by statute..."; and,

**WHEREAS,** Indiana Code § 36-1-3-6(b)(1) states that "If there is no constitutional or statutory provision requiring a specific manner for exercising a power, a unit wanting to exercise the power must, if the unit is a county or municipality, adopt an ordinance prescribing a specific manner for exercising the power"; and,

**WHEREAS,** certain amendments to the Indiana Code have mandated that cities adopt new ordinances, pursuant to Indiana Code § 36-1-3, to enable a Town to pay for expenses involving the promotion of the Town;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Munster, Lake County, Indiana, that:

Section 1: The Town is hereby authorized to budget and appropriate funds in the General Fund or any other fund necessary to pay for of expenses that are in service to the general welfare of the Town's image and betterment of the organization.

Section 2: These expenses include, but are not necessarily limited to:

1. Rental of meeting places
2. Meals
3. Decorations and flowers
4. Memorabilia and commemorative objects
5. Awards
6. Expenses incurred in promoting commercial and/or residential development within the Town of Munster, Indiana
7. Expenses incurred in developing relationships with other governmental units
8. Direct expenses incurred for travel, meals, and lodging in conjunction with municipal business, meetings, or organizations to which the municipality belongs
9. Expenses for employee recognition
10. Any other expense of a civic or governmental nature deemed by the Town Council to be in the best interests of the Town.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption by Town Council and publication if required by law.

**ORDAINED** and **ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023, by a vote of \_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_ opposed.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER,  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA**

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Chuck Gardiner, President

ATTEST:

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Wendy Mis, Clerk-Treasurer