

ORDINANCE NO. 26-14

AN ORDINANCE OF TREMONTON CITY COUNCIL CREATING AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS IN THE CITY BY ADOPTING TITLE 10: FIRE, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE, CHAPTER 10-600 VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the Tremonton City Council finds that virtual currency kiosks, also known as cryptocurrency ATMs or Bitcoin teller machines, have been used in connection with fraud and scam schemes that have harmed residents in Utah; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that transactions through virtual currency kiosks are often irreversible and can be used to rapidly transfer funds beyond recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that prohibiting the operation of physical virtual currency kiosks within Tremonton is a reasonable exercise of the City's police powers to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends this ordinance to apply only within the corporate limits of Tremonton City and not to regulate virtual currency ownership or transactions outside the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE TREMONTON CITY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Code Amendment. The Revised Ordinances of Tremonton City Corporation are amended by adding Chapter 10-600 – Virtual Currency Kiosks as shown in Exhibit “A” attached.

SECTION 2. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication, unless otherwise required by law.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Tremonton, Utah, this 4th day of August, 2026.

TREMONTON CITY

Bret Rohde, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dalton Smuin, City Attorney

POSTED/PUBLISHED:_____

Exhibit “A”

TITLE 10 – FIRE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE

Chapter 10-600. – VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS

Part 10-601. - Definitions. For purposes of this chapter:

"Virtual currency" means a digital representation of value that is used as a medium of exchange, unit of account, or store of value and is not money, whether or not denominated in money.

"Virtual Currency Kiosk" means any physical electronic terminal intended to act as a mechanical agent of the virtual currency kiosk operator to enable the virtual currency kiosk operator to facilitate the exchange of virtual currency for money, bank credit, or other virtual currency.

“Virtual Currency Kiosk Operator” means any person or entity that owns, leases, controls, manages, maintains, or operates a virtual currency kiosk, or that arranges for a kiosk to be placed on property within the City.

“Person” means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, trust, or other legal entity.

Part 10-602. - Prohibition.

It is unlawful for any person to:

1. Operate, install, locate, maintain, or allow to be operated, installed, located, or maintained any Virtual Currency Kiosk within the corporate limits of the City;
2. Enter into any agreement, lease, license, or other arrangement for the purpose of placing or operating a Virtual Currency Kiosk within the City; or
3. Knowingly permit property under the person’s control to be used for the operation of a Virtual Currency Kiosk within the City.

Part 10-603. - Existing Kiosks.

Any Virtual Currency Kiosk located within the City on the effective date of this chapter shall be removed or permanently disabled within sixty (60) days after the effective date. Each day after that period that a Virtual Currency Kiosk remains in violation constitutes a separate offense.

Part 10-604. - Scope.

This chapter does not prohibit a person from owning, holding, purchasing, selling, exchanging, transferring, or accepting virtual currency by means other than a Virtual Currency Kiosk, nor does it purport to prohibit Virtual Currency Kiosks outside the corporate limits of the City. The chapter is limited to conduct and property located within Tremonton.

Part 10-605. - Enforcement.

The City may enforce this chapter through any lawful means, including notice of violation, misdemeanor citation, civil abatement, injunction, or other legal or equitable relief.

Part 10-606. - Penalty.

Any person who violates this chapter is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. Each day a violation continues is a separate offense.

Part 10-607. - Severability.

If any provision of this chapter or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the chapter and the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF UTAH)
 : ss.
County of Box Elder)

I, Cynthia Nelson, the City Recorder of Tremonton, Utah, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full and correct copy of Ordinance No. 26-14, entitled “**AN ORDINANCE OF TREMONTON CITY COUNCIL CREATING AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS IN THE CITY BY ADOPTING TITLE 10: FIRE, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE, CHAPTER 10-600 VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSKS OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION**” adopted and passed by the City Council of Tremonton, Utah, at a regular meeting thereof on August 4, 2026, which appears of record in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the City this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder

(city seal)