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## CHAPTER 40: GENERAL PROVISIONS

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### 40.01. DEFINITIONS.

A) Any term used in this code and defined in M.S. § 169.011, as it may be amended from time to time, has the meaning given it by that section.

### 40.02. NOISE.

A) For regulations related to traffic noise see the Chapter 54 of this Code, Noise Regulations.

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### 41.01. TURNING MOVEMENTS; RESTRICTIONS ON TURNS.

A) The Council, by resolution, may, whenever necessary to preserve a free flow of traffic on to prevent accidents:

- 1) Designate any intersection as one where the turning of vehicles to the left or to the right, or both, is to be restricted at all times or during specified hours; or (The Street Superintendent shall mark, by appropriate signs, any intersection so designated. No intersection on a trunk highway shall be so designated until the consent of the Commissioner of Highways to the designation is first obtained.)
- 2) Designate any intersection or street as one where U-turns of vehicles is prohibited. The Street Superintendent shall mark, by appropriate signs, any intersection or street so designated.

B) No person shall turn a vehicle contrary to the directions on the signs.

### 41.02. THROUGH STREETS; ONE-WAY STREETS.

A) The Council, by resolution, may designate any street or portion of a street as a through highway or a one-way roadway where necessary to preserve the free flow of traffic or to prevent accidents. The Street Superintendent shall post appropriate signs at the entrance of the streets. No trunk highway shall be so designated unless the consent of the Commissioner of Highways to the designation is first secured.

### 41.03. TRUCK RESTRICTIONS.

A) The Council, by resolution, may designate streets on which travel by commercial vehicles in excess of a specified gross weights prohibited. The Street Superintendent shall erect appropriate signs on the streets. No person shall operate a commercial vehicle on the posted streets in violation of the restrictions stated.

### 41.04. SEASONAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS.

A) The Maintenance Department may recommend the prohibition of operation of vehicles upon any street within the City or recommend weight restrictions to be operated on the street whenever the street by reason of deterioration, rain, snow or other climatic conditions will be seriously damaged or destroyed unless the use of vehicles on the street is prohibited or the permissible weights thereof reduced. The Council shall act on the

recommendation and may direct the Maintenance Department, by resolution, to erect and maintain appropriate signs plainly indicating the prohibition or restriction at each end of that portion of the street so affected. No person shall operate a vehicle on a posted street in violation of the prohibition or restriction.

#### 41.05. SAFETY ZONES; LANES OF TRAFFIC.

A) To assist in the direction and control of traffic, to improve safe driving conditions at any intersection or dangerous location, and to warn pedestrians or drivers of motor vehicles of dangerous conditions or hazards, the Council may establish safety zones, lanes of traffic and stop intersections, and may order installation by the Street Superintendent of stop signs, yield signs, warning signs, signals, pavement markings or other devices. No regulation may be established on a trunk highway unless the consent of the Commissioner of Highways is first secured.

#### 41.06. EXHIBITION DRIVING.

A) No person shall turn, accelerate, decelerate or otherwise operate a motor vehicle within the City in a manner which causes unnecessary engine noise or backfire, squealing tires, skidding, sliding, swaying, throwing of sand or gravel or in a manner simulating a race. Squealing or screeching sounds emitted by tires or the throwing of sand or gravel by the tires is prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.

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### 42.01. DIAGONAL ANGLE AND PARALLEL PARKING.

A) The Council, by resolution, may designate streets where vehicles shall be parked with the front of the vehicle facing the curb or the edge of the traveled portion of the street at an angle of approximately 60 degrees.

B) On all other streets, cars shall be parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway in accordance with law.

### 42.02. NO PARKING, STOPPING OR STANDING ZONES.

A) The Council may, by resolution, designate certain streets or portions of streets as no parking or no stopping or standing zones and may limit the hours in which the restrictions apply. The Street Superintendent shall mark, by appropriate signs, each zone so designated. Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or a traffic-control device, no person shall stop or park a vehicle in an established no stopping or standing zone when stopping or standing is prohibited.

B) No vehicle shall be parked in a no parking zone during hours when parking is prohibited, except that a vehicle may be parked temporarily in the zone for the purpose of forming a funeral procession and a truck may be parked temporarily between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any business day for the purpose of loading or unloading where access to the premises is not otherwise available.

### 42.03. TIME LIMIT ZONES.

A) The Council may, by resolution, designate certain areas where the right to park is limited during hours specified.

B) The Street Superintendent shall mark by appropriate signs each zone so designated.

C) During the hours specified on the sign, no person shall park a vehicle in any limited parking zone for a longer period than is so specified.

#### 42.04. WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS.

A) No parking during the period from November 1 to March 30 inclusive, for all or any part of the period of time from 1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. on any day of the week City-wide. If conditions warrant commencement of City snow/ice removal operations as regulated by the City's Snow and Ice Removal Policy (i.e., removal is curb-to-curb), the City specifically reserves the right to call for towing services and the owner of the vehicle will be responsible for all costs incurred. This restriction shall be enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from the period November 1 to March 30, inclusive.

#### 42.05. IMPOUNDMENT.

A) Any police officer may remove a vehicle from a street to a garage or other place of safety when the vehicle is left unattended and constitutes an obstruction to traffic or hinders snow removal or street improvement or maintenance operations.

B) The vehicle shall not be released until the fees for towing and storage are paid in addition to any fine imposed for violation of this chapter.

#### 42.06. OWNER RESPONSIBILITY.

A) The presence of any motor vehicle on any street when standing or parked in violation of this chapter is prima facie evidence that the registered owner of the vehicle committed or authorized the commission of the violation.

#### 42.07. TRUCK PARKING AND LOADING ZONES.

A) The Council may, by resolution, establish spaces in streets as loading zones or truck zones. The hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day, except Sundays, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day or other time as the Council may specify in the resolution establishing the zone, shall be the loading zone or truck zone hours. The Street Superintendent shall mark each zone by appropriate signs.

B) During truck zone hours, no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle, except a truck in a truck zone. No person shall stop, stand or park a truck in a truck zone during truck zone hours, except to receive or discharge passengers or freight and then only for a period no longer than is necessary for the purpose.

C) During loading zone hours, no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle in a loading zone, except to receive or discharge passengers or freight and then only for a period no longer than is necessary for the purpose. No person shall occupy a loading zone with a vehicle other than a truck for more than five minutes during the hours.

D) Any person desiring the establishment of a loading zone or zone abutting premises occupied by him or her shall make written application to the Council. If the Council grants the request, the proper City officer shall bill the applicant for the estimated cost of placing signs and of painting the curb. When the amount is paid to the Administrator/ Clerk-Treasurer, the designated law enforcement agency shall install the necessary signs and paint the curb.

E) No person shall allow a semi-trailer to stand or be parked unattached from a tractor unit for any length of time on any street in the City, except in an emergency in order to change tractors.

F) No person shall allow any bus, motor truck, truck tractor, truck trailer or commercial vehicle to be parked or stand longer than 2 hours continuously on, in front of, or beside any property in the City, except for vehicles parked in private parking lots in Industrial Zones. For the purpose of this section, a bus is a vehicle designed for carrying passengers and having a seating capacity of more than 20 persons, and a motor truck, truck tractor, truck trailer or commercial vehicle is a vehicle having either a capacity of more than one ton or a weight of more than 5,000 pounds, or both.

#### 42.08. REMOVING KEYS.

A) No person shall leave a motor vehicle, except a truck which is engaged in or unloading, unattended on any street, used car lot or unattended parking lot without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition and removing all ignition keys from the vehicle. Whenever any designated law enforcement agent finds any motor vehicle standing in violation of this provision, he or she shall remove the keys from the vehicle and deliver them to City Hall.

## CHAPTER 43: SNOWMOBILES; RECREATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLES

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### 43.01. STATE LAW ADOPTED BY REFERENCE.

A) M.S. §§ 84.81 through 84.929, Minn. Rules 6100.5000 through 6100.5800, and Minn. Rules 7460.5100 through 7460.5200, as they presently exist and as they may be amended from time to time, are hereby adopted and are incorporated by reference and made part of this chapter as completely as if set out in full.

### 43.02. DEFINITIONS.

A) For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

- 1) RECREATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE. Any self-propelled vehicle and any vehicle used for recreational purposes, including but not limited to snowmobiles, trail bikes or other all-terrain vehicles, hovercrafts or motor vehicles licensed for highway operation which is being used for off-road recreational purposes. This definition includes ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES, as defined by M.S. § 84.02, Subd. 8, as it may be amended from time to time.
- 2) RIGHT-OF-WAY. The entire strip of land traversed by a highway or street in which the public owns the fee or easement for road purposes.
- 3) SNOWMOBILE. A self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice steered by skis or runners.
- 4) STREET. A public thorough fare, roadway, alley or trail used for vehicular traffic which is not an interstate, trunk, county state-aid or county highway.

### 43.03. LIMITATION OF OPERATION.

A) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle in the City, except on public trails, waterways, highways and streets specifically designated for the use.

B) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle on lands not his or her own, except where otherwise allowed by law, without the written permission of the owner, occupant or lessee of the lands.



#### 43.04. HOURS OF OPERATION.

A) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle in the City between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., prevailing time in the county, Sunday through Thursday, and from 1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. on other days, including the day preceding a national holiday.

#### 43.05. SPEED REGULATIONS.

A) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle in the City at speed in excess of 15 miles per hour within 150 feet of any pedestrian, skier, skater, skating rink, sliding area, City property or other area where the operation would conflict with or endanger other persons or property.

#### 43.06. TOW BARS.

A) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational vehicle so as to tow any person, sled, trailer or other device, except by the use of a rigid tow bar attached to the rear of the snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle. Persons towing disabled snowmobiles or recreational vehicles shall be exempt.

#### 43.07. MANDATORY LIGHTS.

A) No person shall operate a snowmobile or recreational motor vehicle unless the vehicle is equipped with approved head lamp(s) and tail lamp(s) that are illuminated at all times during operation.