



**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.**

Agenda

1. Library Update
2. Regulation of Specialty Vehicles
3. Economic Development Initiatives

AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date: September 29, 2026

Agenda Item: Proposed Ordinance No. 107 of 2026

Summary/Overview: At the Council's last work session on June 30, 2026, the issue of increased usage of motorized foot scooters (scooters) and electric-assisted bicycles (e-bikes) were discussed. The adjacent issue of updating the City's specialty vehicle ordinance was also discussed. It was determined that state law addressing the operation of scooters and e-bikes was sufficient, but that the Council wanted to see a change made to city ordinance that would prohibit the use of e-bikes on all sidewalks. It was also determined that definitional changes needed to be made in the specialty vehicle ordinance.

Included in this agenda item is draft ordinance language, updating Section 8.03 (Bicycles), Sections 8.21-8.30 (Specialty and Recreational Vehicles), and adding Section 8.32 (Motorized Foot Scooters). Language proposed to be removed is ~~stricken~~, and language proposed to be added is underlined in red color font.

Key highlights include:

Section 8.03 – Adds definition of “bicycle,” that will apply to Chapter 8 and Chapter 10 of the City Code; addresses riding rules for e-bikes, including state age restriction and prohibition against use on sidewalks;

Sections 8.21 – 8.30 – Includes many updates to definitions as well as new definitions for technology not in existence, or not in widespread use, at the time the ordinance was last addressed in 2014; Attempts to address abuse of permitting system for specialty vehicles by broadening application of possible violations (language highlighted in yellow on pages 6-7); Input is requested on modification to hours of operation (page 11);

Section 8.32 – Incorporates State law regulating operation of scooters; allows for future city restrictions on the use of scooters on specific bike paths, lanes, and trails.

Attachments: Draft Ordinance No. 107 – Substantive sections only

§ 8.03 BICYCLES

Subd. 1. *Traffic laws apply.* Every person ~~operating~~ ~~riding~~ a bicycle upon a roadway or upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of ~~any other~~ vehicle by this chapter, as well as M.S. Chapter 169 as it may be amended from time to time, except in respect to those provisions in those chapters relating expressly to bicycles and in respect to those provisions of those chapters which by their nature cannot reasonably be applied to bicycles.~~except as to special regulations in this chapter and except as to those provisions of this chapter which by their nature can have no application.~~ This chapter applies to a bicycle being operated on the shoulder of a roadway. A person lawfully operating a bicycle (1) on a sidewalk, or (2) across a roadway or shoulder while using a crosswalk has all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances.

Subd. 2. *Manner and number riding.*

A. For purposes of Chapter 8 and Chapter 10 of the Redwood Falls City Code of Ordinances, "bicycle" shall have the definition as provided in M.S. Chapter 169, as it may be amended from time to time, and includes a tandem bicycle; an electric-assisted bicycle including class 1, class 2, class 3, and multiple mode electric-assisted bicycles; and cargo or utility bicycle, or trailer.

BA. It is unlawful for any person propelling a bicycle to ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

CB. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped, except on a baby seat attached to the bicycle, provided that such seat is equipped with a harness to hold the child securely in the seat and that protection is provided against the child's feet hitting the spokes of the wheel or in a seat attached to the bicycle operator.

Subd. 3. *Hitching Rides.* It is unlawful for any person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, toboggan, sled, skateboard or toy vehicle to attach the same or himself or herself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

Subd. 4. *Where to ride.*

A. Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction, when preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway, ~~or~~ when reasonably necessary to avoid conditions, including fixed or moving objects, vehicles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards, or narrow width lanes, that make it unsafe to continue along the right-hand curb or edge, when operating on the shoulder of a roadway or in a bicycle lane, or when operating in a right-hand turn lane before entering an intersection.-

B. If a bicycle is traveling on a shoulder of a roadway, the bicycle shall travel in the same direction as adjacent vehicular traffic.

C. Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway or shoulder shall not ride more than two abreast and shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic and, on a laned roadway, shall ride within a single lane.

D. Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such paths and shall not use the roadway.

Subd. 5. *Right of way - sidewalks.* Whenever a person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right of way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian. Provided, that it is unlawful for any person to ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in a Business District or to park a bicycle upon a sidewalk except where parking stalls have been provided. ~~A person operating a bicycle on a sidewalk, or across a roadway or shoulder on a crosswalk, shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances.~~

Subd. 6. *Carrying articles.* It is unlawful for any person operating a bicycle to carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the driver from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

Subd. 7. *Lighting and brake equipment.*

A. Every bicycle when in use at nighttime shall be equipped with, or its operator shall carry, a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the Department of Public Safety which is visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of headlamps on motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector. No person may, at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance of 500 feet ahead, operate a bicycle unless the bicycle or its operator is equipped with reflective surfaces that shall be visible during the hours of darkness from 600 feet when viewed in front of lawful lower beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. The reflective surfaces shall include reflective materials on each side of each pedal to indicate their presence from the front or the rear and with a minimum of 20 square inches on each side of the bicycle or its operator, of white reflective material. All reflective materials used in compliance with this subdivision shall meet the requirements as prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Safety. Any bicycle equipped with side reflectors as required by regulations for new bicycles prescribed by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission shall be considered to meet the requirements for side reflectorization contained in this subdivision.

B. Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement. A bicycle equipped with a direct or fixed gear that can make the rear wheel skid on dry, level, clean pavement shall be deemed to fully comply with this paragraph.

C. No person shall operate upon a roadway any bicycle equipped with handlebars so raised that the operator must elevate the hands above the level of the shoulders in order to grasp the normal steering grip area.

D. No person shall operate upon a highway any bicycle which is of such a size as to prevent the operator from stopping the bicycle, supporting it with at least one foot on the highway surface and restarting in a safe manner.

E. A bicycle may be equipped with a front lamp that emits a white flashing signal, or a rear lamp that emits a red flashing signal, or both.

F. A bicycle may be equipped with tires having studs, spikes, or other protuberances designed to increase traction.

G. A bicycle may be equipped with a horn or bell designed to alert motor vehicles, other bicycles, and pedestrians of the bicycle's presence.

Subd. 8. *Sale with reflectors.* It is unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any new bicycle unless it is equipped with such reflectors as are prescribed in Subd. ~~78~~, and by applicable regulations for new bicycles prescribed by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission. A new bicycle may be sold or offered for sale without pedals if the bicycle otherwise meets the requirements of this paragraph.

Subd. 9. *Electric-assisted bicycle; riding rules.*

A. A person may operate an electric-assisted bicycle in the same manner as provided for operation of other bicycles, including but not limited to operation on the shoulder of a roadway, a bicycle lane, and a bicycle route, and operation without the motor engaged on a bikeway or bicycle trail, except it shall be unlawful for any person to operate an electric-assisted bicycle on any sidewalk or crosswalk, except for direct access to adjacent property.

B. A person may operate a class 1, class 2, class 3, or multiple mode electric-assisted bicycle with the motor engaged on a bicycle path, bicycle trail, or shared use path unless prohibited by applicable statute or where prohibited or restricted by conspicuous posting.

C. A person under the age of 15 shall not operate an electric-assisted bicycle.

Subd. ~~109~~. *Impoundment.* Any person apprehended by a police officer in violation of the provisions of this Section does, by his or her use of the public streets and sidewalks, consent to the impoundment by said police officer of his or her bicycle for a period of three days upon the first offense, seven days upon the second offense, and 30 days upon the third offense.

SECTION 21. That Redwood Falls City Code of Ordinances §8.21 - §8.30 shall be amended by amending and inserting the following provisions, in their entirety, in lieu thereof:

§ 8.21 PURPOSE AND INTENT.

Subd. 1. The purpose of this chapter is to provide reasonable regulations for the use of special and recreational motor vehicles on public and ~~in conformance with~~ private property, in the city.

Subd. 2. This chapter is not intended to allow what the Minnesota Statutes prohibit or to prohibit what the Minnesota Statutes expressly allow.

Subd. 3. It is intended to ensure ~~the~~ public safety and prevent ~~a~~ public nuisance.

§ 8.22 DEFINITIONS.

For the purposes of this section, the terms defined shall have the meanings given them.

Subd. 1. The term "~~four-wheel~~ all-terrain vehicle or ATV" means a motorized ~~floatation-tired~~ vehicle with ~~four low-pressure tires that is limited in engine displacement to less than 1,000 cubic centimeters, as amended from time to time, and includes Class 1 and Class 2 all-terrain vehicles. (1) not less than three, but not more than six low pressure or non-pneumatic tires; (2) a total dry weight of 2,000 pounds or less; and (3) a total width from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim that is 65 inches or less. All-terrain vehicle includes a class 1 all-terrain vehicle and class 2 all-terrain vehicle.~~

A. Class 1 all-terrain vehicle means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total ~~dry weight of less than 1,200 pounds, as amended from time to time.~~ width from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim that is 50 inches or less.

B. Class 2 all-terrain vehicle means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total ~~dry weight of 1,200 to 1,800 pounds, as amended from time to time.~~ width from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim that is greater than 50 inches but not more than 65 inches.

C. All-terrain vehicle does not include an electric-assisted bicycle, golf cart, mini-truck, dune buggy, or go-cart or a vehicle designed and used specifically for lawn maintenance, agriculture, logging, or mining purposes.

Subd. 2. The term "driver" means the person driving and having physical control over the recreational motor vehicle or specialty vehicle.

Subd. 3. The term "electric personal assistive mobility device" means a self-balancing device with two non-tandem wheels, designed to transport not more than one person, and operated by an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 15 miles per hour.

Subd. ~~42.~~ The term "mini-truck" as defined in M.S. § 169.011, subd. 40(a), as amended from time to time, means a motor vehicle that has four wheels; is propelled by an electric motor with a rated power of 7,500 watts or less or an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of 660 cubic centimeters or less; has a total dry weight of 900 to 2,200 pounds; contains an enclosed cabin and a seat for the vehicle operator; commonly resembles a pickup truck or van, including a cargo area or bed located at the rear of the vehicle; and was not originally manufactured to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards required of motor vehicles in 49 C.F.R §§ 571.101 to 571.404, and successor requirements. ~~A mini-truck does not include: a neighborhood electric vehicle or a medium-speed electric vehicle as defined by M.S. § 169.011;~~

~~subd. 39 and 47, as amended from time to time; or a motor vehicle that meets or exceeds the regulations in 49 C.F.R. §§ 571.500, as it may be amended from time to time. A mini-truck does not include: a neighborhood electric vehicle or a medium-speed electric vehicle; or a motor vehicle that meets or exceeds the regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 571.500, as it may be amended from time to time.~~

~~Subd. 53. The term "motorized bicycle" means a bicycle with fully operable pedals which may be propelled by human power or a motor, or by both, with a motor of a capacity of less than 50 cubic centimeters piston displacement, and a maximum of two brake horsepower, which is capable of a maximum speed of not more than 30 mph on a flat surface with not more than 1% grade in any direction when the motor is engaged; that is propelled by an electric or a liquid fuel motor of a piston displacement capacity of 50 cubic centimeters or less, and a maximum of two brake horsepower, which is capable of a maximum speed of not more than 30 miles per hour on a flat surface with not more than one percent grade in any direction when the motor is engaged. Motorized bicycle does not include an electric-assisted bicycle.~~

~~Subd. 6. The term "motorized foot scooter" means a device with handlebars designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, and powered by an internal combustion engine or electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion, and that has no more than two 12-inch or smaller diameter wheels and has an engine or motor that is capable of a maximum speed of 15 miles per hour on a flat surface with not more than 1 percent grade in any direction when the motor is engaged. An electric personal assistive mobility device, a motorized bicycle, an electric-assisted bicycle, or a motorcycle is not a motorized foot scooter.~~

~~Subd. 74. The term "motorized golf cart" means any passenger conveyance being driven with four wheels with four low-pressure tires that is limited in engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight less than 800 pounds.~~

~~Subd. 8. The term "medium speed electric vehicle" means an electrically powered four-wheeled motor vehicle, equipped with a roll cage or crushproof body design, that can attain a maximum speed of 35 miles per hour on a paved level surface, is fully enclosed and has at least one door for entry, has a wheelbase of 40 inches or greater and a wheel diameter of 10 inches or greater, and except with respect to maximum speed, otherwise meets or exceeds regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, section 571.500, and successor requirements.~~

~~Subd. 9. The term "neighborhood electric vehicle" means an electrically powered motor vehicle that has three or four wheels, and has a speed attainable in one mile of at least 20 miles per hour, but not more than 25 miles per hour on a paved level surface.~~

~~Subd. 105. The term "operate" means to ride in or on and have control of a specialty vehicle.~~

~~Subd. 116. The term "operator" means the person who operates or is in actual physical control of a specialty vehicle.~~

~~Subd. 127. The term "owner" means a person, other than a lien holder, having a property interest in, or title to, a specialty vehicle, who is entitled to the use or possession thereof.~~

~~Subd. 138. The term "owner/operator responsibility" means every person leaving a specialty vehicle in a public place shall lock the ignition, remove the key and take the same with him or her.~~

Subd. 149. The term "recreational motor vehicle" means any self-propelled vehicle and any vehicle propelled or drawn by a self-propelled vehicle used for recreational purposes, including, but not limited to, a ~~motorized bicycle, and an all-terrain vehicle, trail bike, snowmobiles, off-highway motorcycle,~~ as defined by Minn. Stat. § 84.787, subd. 7, as it may be amended from time to time, or other all-terrain vehicle as defined by Minn. Stat. 84.90 and Minn. Stat. § 84.92, subd. 8-10 as it may be amended from time to time, or motorized go-carts, hovercraft, or motor vehicle licensed for highway operation, which is being used for off-road recreational purposes, but not including motorized golf carts, personal electric mobility devices, motorized foot scooters, neighborhood electric vehicles, medium-speed electric vehicles, electric-assisted bicycles, or mini-trucks.

Subd. 150. The term "specialty vehicle" ~~means a recreational motor vehicle including, but not limited to, a motorized bicycle, and four-wheel utility task vehicles, all-terrain vehicles (or~~ ATVs), motorized golf carts, and mini trucks.

Subd. 16. The term "utility task vehicle" means side-by-side, four-wheel drive, off-road vehicle that has four wheels, is propelled by an internal combustion engine with a piston displacement capacity of 1,200 cubic centimeters or less, and has a total dry weight of 1,800 but less than 2,600 pounds, as defined by Minn. Stat. § 169.045, subd. 1 (3) as it may be amended from time to time.

§ 8.23 PERMITTING.

No operator and/or owner shall operate a ~~recreational vehicle,~~ motorized golf cart, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck on streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public property without obtaining a permit as provided herein. All permits will be verified by placing a decal in a clearly visible location on all ~~recreational vehicles,~~ motorized golf carts, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-trucks. Each individual operator and/or owner of a ~~recreational vehicle,~~ motorized golf cart, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck must apply for a permit, they are not transferrable.

Subd. 1. Application. Every application for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the city and made to the City Clerk and shall contain all of the following information:

- A. The name and address of the applicant, ~~as well as the names and addresses of all individuals authorized to drive the specialty vehicle.~~
- B. The nature of the applicant's physical handicap, if any.
- C. Model name, make, year and serial number of the ~~recreational vehicle,~~ motorized golf cart, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck.
- D. Current driver's license or reason for not having a current license.
- E. Other information as the city may require.

Subd. 2. The annual permit fee shall be as set forth in the Resolution Establishing Fees and Charges, as that Resolution may be amended from time to time. The permit fee will not be prorated if issued after January 1 during any calendar year.

Subd. 3. Permits shall be granted for a period of three years and may be renewed annually January 1 to December 31.

Subd. 4. No permit shall be granted or renewed unless the following conditions are met:

A. The applicant must demonstrate that he or she currently holds or has held a valid Minnesota driver's license to operate a mini-truck.

B. The applicant may be required to submit a certificate signed by a physician that the applicant is able to safely operate a recreational vehicle, motorized golf cart, utility task vehicle or all-terrain vehicle on the roadways designated.

C. The applicant must provide evidence of insurance in compliance with the provisions of M.S. § 65B.48, subd. 5, as amended from time to time, concerning insurance coverage for the recreational vehicle, golf cart, or mini-truck. Minnesota Statutes concerning insurance coverage for the golf cart, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or mini-truck.

D. The applicant has not had his or her driver's license revoked as the result of criminal proceedings.

Subd. 5. The City Council may suspend or revoke a permit granted hereunder upon a finding that the holder thereof or an operator of the permitted specialty vehicle has violated any of the provisions of this Chapter section or M.S. Chapters 169 or 169A, as it may be amended from time to time, or if there is evidence that the permit holder-permitted specialty vehicle cannot be safely operated the all-terrain vehicle, motorized golf cart, or mini-truck on the designated roadways.

Subd. 6. The number of occupants on the utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorized golf cart or mini-truck may not exceed the design occupant load meaning.

Subd. 7. Exemption for emergency vehicles. The provisions of this section regulating the permitting of any recreational vehicle, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, golf cart, or mini-truck shall not apply to any authorized emergency vehicle of the emergency management department, police, or fire department.

§ 8.24 OPERATION.

It is unlawful for any person to operate a recreational motor-recreational motor vehicle, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, golf cart or mini-truck:

Subd. 1. On a public sidewalk or walkway provided or used for pedestrian travel.

Subd. 2. On publicly owned land, including school, exclusive city streets, park property, playgrounds, recreation areas and golf courses, except where permitted by this chapter.

Subd. 3. On any public street, highway, or right-of-way unless registered pursuant to Minnesota law or permitted pursuant to this Chapter. On private property without prior written or oral permission of the owner of the property.

~~—A. Written permission may be given by a posted notice of any kind or description, so long as it specifies the kind of vehicles allowed, that the owner, occupant, or lessee prefers, such as by saying "Recreational Vehicles Allowed," "Trail Bikes Allowed," "All-Terrain Vehicles Allowed," or words substantially similar.~~

Subd. 4. In a manner so as to create a loud, unnecessary, or unusual noise that disturbs, annoys, or interferes with the peace and quiet of other persons.

Subd. 5. At a place while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotics or habit-forming drugs.

Subd. 6. At a rate of speed greater than reasonable or proper under all the surrounding circumstances.

Subd. 7. At any place in a careless, reckless, or negligent manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property or to cause injury or damage thereto.

Subd. 8. To intentionally drive, chase, run over, or kill any animal, wild or domestic.

Subd. 9. By halting any recreational motor vehicle, golf cart, or mini-truck carelessly or heedlessly in disregard of the rights or the safety of others or in a manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property or in excess of 15 miles per hour on publicly owned lands.

Subd. 10. Within 150 yards of any public recreational area or gathering of people. This provision does not apply to the occasional use of recreational motor vehicles on private property for the purpose of loading or unloading it from a trailer or for mechanically checking it.

Subd. 11. Without headlight and tail-light lighted at all times if the vehicle is equipped with headlight and tail-light.

Subd. 12. Without a functioning stoplight if so equipped.

Subd. 13. Without a brake operational by either hand or foot.

Subd. 14. Without a rear-view mirror to provide the driver with adequate vision from behind as required by Minn. Stat. § 169.70.

Subd. 14. At a speed exceeding ten miles per hour on the frozen surface of public waters within 100 feet of a person not on an all-terrain vehicle or within 100 feet of a fishing shelter.

Subd. 15. Without a helmet and seat belts when: Without adequate helmet and seat belt protection which is required as herein described:

— A. A person less than 18 years of age is a passenger or is an operator of a recreational vehicle regulated herein on public land, public waters, or on a public road right-of-way unless wearing a safety helmet approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety and without wearing a seat belt when such seat belt has been provided by the manufacturer. A person less than 18 years of age shall not ride as a passenger or as an operator of a recreational vehicle regulated herein on public land, public waters, or on a public road right-of-way unless wearing a safety helmet approved by the commissioner of Public Safety.

B. A person less than 18 years of age shall not ride as a passenger or as an operator of a recreational vehicle regulated herein without wearing a seat belt when such seat belt has been provided by the manufacturer.

Subd. 16. Without being of the proper age in all-terrain vehicles, including passengers herein described:

A. No person under 18 years of age shall operate a class 1 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger. A person 18 years of age or older may operate a class 1 all-terrain vehicle carrying one passenger. For the purposes of this division a class 1 all-

terrain vehicle means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total dry weight of less than 900 pounds.

- B. No person under 18 years of age shall operate a class 2 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger. A person 18 years of age or older may operate a class 2 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger, or up to the number of passengers for which the vehicle was designed, whichever is greater. For the purposes of this division a class 2 all-terrain vehicle means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total dry weight of 1,000 to 1,800 pounds.

~~When a person under 18 years of age operates a Class 1 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger. A person 18 years of age or older may operate a Class 1 all-terrain vehicle carrying one passenger. For the purposes of this division a "Class 1 all-terrain vehicle" means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total dry weight of less than 900 pounds.~~

~~-Subd. 17. When a person under 18 years of age operates a Class 2 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger. A person 18 years of age or older may operate a Class 2 all-terrain vehicle while carrying a passenger, or up to the number of passengers for which the vehicle was designed, whichever is greater. For the purposes of this division a "Class 2 all-terrain vehicle" means an all-terrain vehicle that has a total dry weight of 900 to 1500 pounds.~~

Subd. 17. On any state or federal highway, except to cross at designated intersections. The operator may cross any street or highway intersecting a designated roadway.

Penalty, see § 8.99

§ 8.25 GOLF CARTS.

Subd. 1. A motorized golf cart may be operated by any individual at least 15 years of age, so long as that person can safely operate it.

Subd. 2. Motorized golf carts shall display the slow moving vehicle emblem provided for in M.S. § 169.~~045522~~, as amended from time to time, when operated on designated roadways.

Subd. 3. Every person operating a motorized golf cart on designated roadways has all of the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of M.S. Chapter 169, as amended from time to time, except when those provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts.

Subd. 4. The provisions of M.S. Chapter 171, as amended from time to time, relating to driver's licenses are not applicable to person operating motorized golf carts on designated roadways pursuant to this section. Except for the requirement of M.S. § 169.70, as amended from time to time, relating to rear view mirrors, the provisions of M.S. Chapter 169, as amended from time to time, relating to equipment on vehicles shall not be applicable to motorized golf carts operating on designated roadways.

Subd. 5. It is unlawful for any person under the age of 15 years to operate a motorized golf cart upon any city street. It is also unlawful for any person 15 years of age or older to operate a motorized golf cart when he or she cannot physically do so in a safe manner, or when the golf cart does not have a slow moving vehicle emblem displayed on the cart. A violation of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor.

Penalty, see § 8.99

§ 8.26 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.

~~Subd. 1. Ages 12-15: No person shall enter on any land not owned by the person for the purpose of operating a recreational motor vehicle after being notified, either orally or by written or posted notice, by the owner, occupant, or lessee not to do so.~~

~~—A. Must have an ATV safety certificate valid only after successfully completing both the ATV Safety Training CD and Safety Training Class.~~

~~—B. May operate on the bank, slope, or ditch of a public road right of way with a valid ATV Safety Certification when accompanied by a parent or legal guardian on a separate ATV.~~

~~—C. Must be able to properly reach and control the handle bars and foot pegs while sitting upright on the seat.~~

~~—D. May operate an ATV on public lands and frozen waters and make direct crossing of roadways with a valid safety certificate if accompanied on another ATV by a person 18 or over who has a valid driver's license.~~

~~—E. Must have parent or guardian permission to operate.~~

~~Subd. 2. Ages 16 and 17: Where posted notice is used, signs shall bear letters not less than two inches high and shall state one of the following: "Recreational Vehicles Prohibited," "Snowmobiles Prohibited," "Trail Bikes Prohibited," "All-Terrain Vehicles Prohibited," or words substantially similar. In lieu of the above notice, an owner, occupant, or lessee may post any sign prohibiting recreational motor vehicles that has been adopted by rule of the commissioner of Natural Resources. The notice or sign shall be posted at corners and ordinary ingress and egress to the property and when so posted shall serve so as to raise a conclusive presumption that a person operating a recreational motor vehicle thereon had knowledge of entering upon such posted lands. Failure to post notice as provided in this subdivision shall not deprive a person of the right to bring a civil action for damage to one's person or property as otherwise provided by law.~~

~~—A. Must successfully complete the ATV Safety Training CD before operating on public lands, frozen waters, public road rights of way, or state or grant in aid trails and may complete the Safety Training Class.~~

~~—B. Must have a valid driver's license to make a direct crossing of a roadway or operate on road rights of way.~~

~~—C. Must be able to properly reach and control the handle bars and foot pegs while sitting upright on the seat.~~

~~—D. Must have parent or guardian permission to operate.~~

Penalty, see § 8.99

§ 8.27 MINI-TRUCKS.

Subd. 1. All operators of mini-trucks must have a valid driver's license.

Subd. 2. A mini-truck may be operated under permit on designated roadways if it is equipped with all of the following:

A. At least two headlamps.

B. At least two tail lamps.

C. Front and rear turn-signal lamps.

D. An exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the vehicle and either an exterior mirror mounted on the passenger's side of the vehicle or an interior mirror.

E. A windshield.

F. A seat belt for the driver and front passenger.

G. A parking brake.

Subd. 3. Authorized city staff may operate city owned motorized golf carts and mini-trucks without obtaining a permit within the city on city streets, sidewalks, trails, rights-of-way, and public property when conducting city business.

§ 8.28 HOURS OF OPERATION.

~~Recreational vehicles, Motorized~~ golf carts, ~~utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicles,~~ and mini-trucks may not be operated on designated roadways ~~from midnight until sunset to sunrise (8:00 a.m to 10:00 p.m.).~~ They shall not be operated in inclement weather or when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, or other conditions, or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

Penalty, see § 8.99

§ 8.29 MINIMUM EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS.

Subd. 1. Standard mufflers shall be properly attached and in constant operation to reduce the noise of operation of the motor to the minimum necessary for operation. No person shall use a muffler cutout, by-pass, straight pipe, or similar device on a recreational motor vehicle motor. The exhaust system shall not emit or produce a sharp popping or crackling sound.

Subd. 2. Brakes shall be adequate to control the movement of and to stop and hold under any conditions of operation.

Subd. 3. At least one clear lamp shall be attached to the front with sufficient intensity to reveal persons and vehicles at a distance of at least 100 feet ahead during the hours of darkness under normal atmospheric conditions. The head lamp shall be so that glaring rays are not projected into the eyes of an oncoming vehicle operator. It shall also be equipped with at least one red tail lamp having a minimum candlepower of sufficient intensity to exhibit a red light plainly visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear during the hours of darkness under normal atmospheric conditions. This equipment shall be required and shall be in operating condition when the vehicle is operated between the hours of one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, or at times of reduced visibility.

Penalty, see § 8.99

§ 8.30 STREET CROSSINGS.

Subd. 1. No person under 12 years of age operating the vehicles regulated herein shall make a direct crossing of any street, highway, or public right-of-way; or operate a vehicle regulated herein on a public street, highway, or road right-of-way; or operate a vehicle regulated herein on public lands or waters, except that a person at least ten years of age but under 12 years of age may operate an all-terrain vehicle with an engine capacity up to 90cc on public lands or waters if accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Subd. 2. Additional restrictions for recreational vehicles, utility task vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, and golf carts. A recreational vehicle, utility task vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or golf cart may make a direct crossing of a public road right-of-way provided:

A. The crossing is made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the road and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.

B. The vehicle is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or main traveled way of the road.

C. The driver yields the right-of-way to all oncoming traffic that constitutes an immediate hazard.

D. In crossing a divided road, the crossing is made only at an intersection of the road with another public road.

E. If the crossing is made between the hours of one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise or in conditions of reduced visibility, only if both front and rear lights are on.

§ 8.31 SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER SKATES, IN-LINE SKATES AND ROLLER SKIS.

Subd. 1. Definitions. The following terms, as used in this section, shall have the meanings stated.

A. The terms “roller skates” or “in-line skates” means a form of skate with small wheels or rollers instead of a blade or rudder.

B. The term “roller skis” means a ski with small wheels attached.

C. The term “skateboard” means a device for riding upon, usually while standing, consisting of an oblong piece of wood or other composition, mounted on skate wheels.

D. The term “street hockey” means the simulated game of ice hockey on a concrete, asphalt or bituminous surface using simulated hockey sticks, nets and/or in-line skates.

Subd. 2. Prohibited Acts. It is unlawful for any person to operate a skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates or roller skis or play street hockey:

A. On private property of another without the express permission to do so by the owner or occupant of the property;

B. In a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger, the safety of any person or property of any other person;

C. Upon any public street or public sidewalk within the downtown area designated as the area bounded on the north by the east-west alley in Blocks 9 and 16 of the Original Plat, Trunk Highway 71-19, on the east by Jefferson Street, on the south by 4th Street, and on the west by Mill Street, including the area of sidewalks parallel to on both sides of the street, and upon any sidewalk in any business district;

D. By attaching the same or the person of the operator to any vehicle upon a roadway;

E. Upon a public street, sidewalk or other roadway after sunset or before sunrise;
and

F. Upon any city-owned tennis court.

Subd. 3. Right-of-Way. The operator of a skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates or roller skis merging from an alley, driveway or building, upon approaching a sidewalk or sidewalk area extending from any alleyway, shall yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching the sidewalk or sidewalk area and give an audible signal before overtaking and passing the pedestrians, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the roadway. Every person operating a skateboard, roller skates, roller blades or in-line skates upon a roadway shall ride as close as possible to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.

Subd. 4. Impoundment. Any person apprehended by a police officer in violation of the provisions of this section does, by his or her use of the public streets and sidewalks, consent to the impoundment by the police officer of his or her skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates or roller skis for a period of three days upon the first offense, seven days upon the second offense, and 30 days upon the third offense.

§ 8.32 MOTORIZED FOOT SCOOTERS

Subd. 1. All provisions of Minn. Stat. Sect. 169.011 and 169.225, as they may be amended from time to time, are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Subd. 2. Operators of motorized foot scooters within the City shall comply with all applicable state traffic laws, including but not limited to rights and duties equivalent to those of bicyclists, equipment requirements, helmet mandates for minors, minimum age restrictions, prohibitions on passengers, and rules for riding positions.

Subd. 3. The City may prohibit or restrict operation of motorized foot scooters on specific bike paths, lanes, or trails under its jurisdiction, and such restrictions shall be posted conspicuously.