

ORDINANCE NO. 649
2ND SERIES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 7.20, SPECIAL USE VEHICLES

The City Council of the City of Alexandria does **ORDAIN**:

SECTION I. That Section 7.20 of the Alexandria City Code is hereby amended by deleting the existing language and replacing it with the following language:

Section 7.20. **Special Use Vehicles.**

Subd. 1. **Definitions.** For purposes of Section 7.20 Special Use Vehicle is a motorized golf cart.

Subd. 2. **Permit.** A permit is required for the owner, or user, to operate a special use vehicle in the City on forms prescribed by the City and approved by the Alexandria City Council. Permits may be granted for a period not more than one year and shall expire annually on December 31. The City Council shall establish an annual fee for a special use vehicle permit. A permit may be immediately revoked or suspended if there is evidence that the permittee cannot safely operate the special use vehicle, and if the permittee objects to such suspension or revocation, the permittee may within five (5) business days of the revocation or suspension file with the City Administrator or his/her designee a written request for a hearing before the City Council which will hear and consider the permittee's objection at a regularly scheduled meeting within 30 days after the objection if filed. A copy of the permit must be carried in the vehicle, and the permit decal must be displayed at all times on the center front of the vehicle's chassis.

Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** Special events conducted by public or private groups or organizations are exempt from the requirements of Subdivision 2 if the event is three days or less in length and occurs once per calendar year. Event organizers must apply for and received permission upon notifying the Police Department of dates special use vehicles may be on city streets and proposed routes for special use vehicles.

Subd. 4. **Designated Roadways.** The special use vehicles are authorized on roadways as reviewed and approved by the City Council. Special use vehicles are prohibited on:

- a) T.H. 29 (Broadway) North and South,
- b) T.H. 27 East and West,
- c) CR 82 West,
- d) CR 22,
- e) North Nokomis Street,
- f) CR 42,
- g) CR 44,
- h) McKay Avenue,
- i) CR 45,
- j) CR 46,
- k) Geneva Road,
- l) Birch Avenue,
- m) South Broadway,
- n) Nokomis Street,
- o) Dakota Street,
- p) Aga Drive,
- q) Frontage road between Dakota Street and T.H. 29 South,
- r) 5th Avenue West,
- s) Fairgrounds Road,
- t) Willow/Latoka Drive,
- u) Cedar Street between 5th Avenue and 10th Avenue,
- v) Fillmore Street between 3rd Avenue and 10th Avenue,
- w) Hawthorne Street between 3rd Avenue and 10th Avenue,
- x) 6th Avenue between Fillmore Street and McKay Avenue,
- y) 10th Avenue between Cedar Street and Nokomis Street,
- z) Jefferson Street between 3rd Avenue and 30th Avenue,
- aa) Rosewood Lane,
- bb) 22nd Avenue,
- cc) 30th Avenue,
- dd) 34th Avenue,
- ee) 50th Avenue,
- ff) Interstate 94,
- gg) Central Lakes Trail, bike paths, walking trails, and sidewalks.

Subd. 5. Physician Certificate. As a condition to obtain a permit the operator must have a valid Minnesota Driver's License or submit a certificate signed by a physician that the operator is able to safely operate a motorized special use vehicle.

Subd. 6. Times of Operation. Motorized special use vehicles may only be operated from sunrise to sunset. 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.

Subd. 7. Slow-Moving Vehicle Emblem. The motorized special use vehicle, when operated on designated roadways, shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in Minnesota Statutes 169.522.

Subd. 8. Insurance. The applicant shall provide evidence of insurance complying with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Section 65.48, Subdivision 5.

Subd. 9. Crossing Intersection Roadways. The operator, under permit, of a motorized special use vehicle may cross any street or highway intersecting a designated roadway.

Subd. 10. State Law Compliance. The operator of any special use vehicle must comply with all state and federal traffic laws and regulations pursuant Minnesota Statutes Section 169.045.

Subd. 11. Rear View Mirrors. All special use vehicles must be equipped with a rear-view mirror pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 169.70.

Subd. 12. Violations and Penalties. Violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor and shall carry a maximum fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for ninety days, or both.

Subd. 13. License Suspension or Revocation. The City Council may in its sole discretion and for any reasonable cause, upon notice and hearing, suspend or revoke any special use vehicle permit issued pursuant to the Alexandria City Code.

SECTION II. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

ADOPTED by the city Council of the City of Alexandria this 14th day of December, 2009, by the following vote:

YES: BIGGER, CARLSON, MILLER, BENSON, FRANK

NO: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

/S/ H. Dan Ness, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
/S/ James P. Taddei, City Administrator