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§ 70.01 DEFINITIONS.

Except as otherwise defined in the city code, or where the context clearly indicates a contrary intent, the words and terms defined in M.S. Chapter 169, as the same may be amended from time to time, shall be applicable to this city code.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 70.02 APPLICATIONS.

The provisions of this city code are applicable to the drivers of all vehicles and animals upon streets, including, but not limited to, those owned or operated by the United States, the State of Minnesota, or any county, town, city, district, or other political subdivision.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 70.03 SCOPE AND ORDERS OF OFFICERS.

(A) *Scope.* The provisions hereof relate exclusively to the streets and alleys in the city, and the operation and parking of vehicles refer exclusively to the operation and parking of vehicles upon those streets and alleys.

(B) *Orders of an officer.* It is a misdemeanor for any person to willfully fail, or refuse to comply with, any lawful order or direction of any police or peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control, or regulate traffic.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 70.04 TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONTROL.

(A) *City Council action.* No device, sign or signal shall be erected or maintained for traffic or parking control unless the City Council shall first have approved and directed the same, except as otherwise provided in this subchapter. When traffic and parking control is marked or sign-posted, that marking or sign-posting shall attest to City Council action thereon.

(B) *Temporary restrictions.* The city may temporarily restrict traffic or parking for any private, public, or experimental purpose.

(C) *Traffic restrictions and prohibitions.* It is a misdemeanor for any person to drive a vehicle contrary to lane restrictions or prohibitions painted on any street, or contrary to sign-posted, fenced, or barricaded restrictions or prohibitions.

(D) *Parking restrictions and prohibitions.* It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle, except an emergency vehicle, contrary to lane restrictions or prohibitions painted on any curb, or contrary to sign-posted, fenced, or barricaded restrictions or prohibitions.

(E) *Damaging or moving markings.* It is a misdemeanor for any person to deface, mar, damage, move, remove, or in any way tamper with, any structure, work materials, equipment, tools, sign, signal, barricade, fence, painting or appurtenance in any street, unless that person has written permission from the city, or is an agent, employee or contractor for the city, or other authority having jurisdiction over a particular street, and acting within the authority or scope of a contract with the city, or any other authority.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 70.05 SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS.

(A) Any vehicle on city streets which interfere with, or is likely to interfere with, city snow removal operations, shall be towed to a storage area and may be reclaimed by the owners only upon payment of towing and storage charges. Any vehicle not reclaimed within 7 days shall be deemed abandoned, and sold according to law.

(B) This section shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.
(Ord. 53, passed 11-12-1979)

§ 70.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this code for which no specific penalty is provided shall be subject to § 10.99.

(B) Every person violates §§ 70.01 *et seq.* when he or she performs an act thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, or fails to act when this failure is thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as follows:

(1) Where the specific division, paragraph or provision specifically makes violation a misdemeanor, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor; where a violation is committed in an manner or under circumstances so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor, where he or she stands convicted of violation of any provision of this subchapter, exclusive of violations relating to the standing or parking of an unattended vehicle, within the immediate preceding 12-month period for the third or subsequent time, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor.

(2) As to any violation not constituting a misdemeanor under the provisions of division (B) hereof, he or she shall be punished as for a petty misdemeanor.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

CHAPTER 71: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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§ 71.01 DEFINITION, SCOPE, AND APPLICATION.

See §§ 70.01 *et seq.* for definitions, scope and application relating to this chapter.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 71.02 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT ADOPTED BY REFERENCE.

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, or in §§ 70.01 *et seq.*, 70.99, 72.01 *et seq.* and 72.99, M.S., Chapter 169, (commonly referred to as the Highway Traffic Regulation Act), as amended through Laws 1991, is hereby incorporated herein and adopted by reference, including the penalty provisions thereof.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 71.03 TRUCK ROUTE.

It is unlawful for any person to drive a tractor, agricultural implement, truck over 9,000 pounds gross through traffic, upon any street, except those which have been designated and sign-posted as truck routes. For the purpose of this chapter, **THROUGH TRAFFIC** means originating without the city and with a destination without the city, as distinguished from "local traffic" which means traffic either originating or having a destination within the city.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.04 BICYCLES.

(A) *Purpose.* The purpose of this section is to establish safety regulations to protect the public welfare by regulating and establishing rules regarding the use and operation of bicycles in the city.

(B) *Application.*

(1) No person shall ride, operate or propel a bicycle on any street, sidewalk or other public place, unless in compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

(2) This chapter is applicable to all bicycles and shall apply whenever a bicycle is operated upon any street, roadway or upon any public path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

(C) *Altering serial number.* No person shall willfully remove, obliterate, or alter the number on the frame of any bicycle.

(D) *Obedience to traffic laws.* Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights, and shall be subject to, all of the duties applicable to the drivers of other vehicles under the laws of the State of Minnesota, except those traffic laws and provisions, which by their nature, can have no application.

(E) *Obedience to traffic devices.*

(1) Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signals, signs and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a peace officer.

(2) Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U-turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle shall disobey dismounts from the bicycle to make that turn, in which event the person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

(F) *Manner of riding.* A person propelling a bicycle shall not ride other than astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

(G) *"Bucking" prohibited.* No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at 1 time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

(H) *Hitching rides.* No person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, sled, or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself or herself to any car or vehicle upon a roadway.

(I) *Ride on the right.* Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right-hand side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or 1 proceeding in the same direction.

(J) *Ride single-file.* Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall not ride more than 2 abreast, except on paths or parts of a roadway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

(K) *Bicycle paths.* Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use that path and shall not use the roadway.

(L) *Riding on sidewalks.* No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within a business district.

(M) *Pedestrian rights-of-way.* Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, that person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give audible signal before overtaking and passing that pedestrian.

(N) *Restricted sidewalks.* Wherever the city has erected a sign on any sidewalk or roadway prohibiting the riding of bicycles thereon by any person, no person shall ride a bicycle thereon while those signs are in place.

(O) *Speed.* No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

(P) *Emerging from alley or driveway.* The operator of a bicycle emerging from an alley, driveway or building, shall, upon approaching a sidewalk or the sidewalk area extending across any alleyway, yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching on that sidewalk or sidewalk area, and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on that roadway.

(Q) *Carrying articles.* No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle, or article, which prevents the rider from keeping at least 1 hand upon the handlebars.

(R) *Lights required.* Every bicycle, when in use at nighttime, shall be equipped with 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 which shall be visible from all distances from 50 feet to 300 feet to the rear, when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a 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.

(S) *Brakes required.* Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake, which will enable the operator to make the braked wheel stop on dry, level, clean pavement.

(T) *Enforcement.* The provisions of this chapter shall be enforced as follows:

(1) Any individual under the age of 16, upon any violation of the provisions of this chapter, shall receive a warning ticket issued by the Sheriff's Department. Each individual in this class shall be instructed to have the warning ticket signed by a parent and returned to the Sheriff's Department within 7 days from the date of the violation. If that ticket is not remitted within the time period set forth, then the matter shall be referred to Juvenile Court for prosecution.

(2) Any individual between the ages of 16 and 18, upon any violation of the provisions of this chapter, shall receive a ticket, and the matter will be prosecuted in Juvenile Court.

(U) *Unlawful act.* It is unlawful for any person to violate a provision of this chapter.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 71.05 EXHIBITION DRIVING.

(A) *Prima facie evidence.* It is prima facie evidence of exhibition driving when a motor vehicle stops, starts, accelerates, decelerates, or turns at an unnecessary rate of speed so as to cause tires to squeal, gears to grind, soil to be thrown, engine backfire, fishtailing or skidding, or, as to 2-wheeled or 3-wheeled motor vehicles, the front wheel to lose contact with the ground or roadway surface.

(B) *Unlawful act.* It is a misdemeanor for any person to do any exhibition driving on any street, parking lot, or other public or private property, except when an emergency creates necessity for the operation to prevent injury to persons or damage to property provided, that this chapter shall not apply to driving any track or premises whereon motorized vehicles, horses, dogs, or other animals or fowl, legally compete in a race or timed contest for an audience, the members of which have directly or indirectly paid a consideration for admission.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 71.06 EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to vehicles when operated with due regard for safety, under the direction of police officers in the chase or apprehension of violators of the law, or of persons charged with or suspected of any violation, nor to Fire Department or fire patrol vehicles when traveling in response to a fire alarm, nor to public ambulances when traveling in emergencies. This exemption shall not, however, protect the driver of, and any vehicle from, the consequences of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 71.07 OPERATION OF MOTORIZED GOLF CARTS ON ROADWAYS.

(A) (1) No person shall operate a motorized golf cart on streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public property without obtaining a permit as provided herein.

(2) Every application for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the city and shall contain all of the following information:

(a) The name and address of the applicant;

- (b) The nature of the applicant's physical handicap, if any;
- (c) Model name, make, and year and number of the motorized golf cart; and
- (d) Other information as the city may require.

(3) The annual permit fee shall be as set forth in the ordinance establishing fees and charges adopted pursuant to this section of the code, as that ordinance may be amended from time to time.

(4) Permits shall be granted for a period of 1 year and may be renewed annually January 1 to December 31.

(5) No permit shall be granted or renewed unless the following conditions are met:

(a) The applicant may be required to submit a certificate signed by a physician that the applicant is able to safely operate a motorized golf cart on the roadways designated; and

(b) The applicant must provide evidence of insurance in compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes concerning insurance coverage for the golf cart.

(6) Motorized golf carts are permitted to operate only on city streets, not state or Federal highways, except to cross at designated intersections.

(7) Motorized golf carts may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather 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.

(8) Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided for in M.S. § 169.045, as it may be amended from time to time, when operated on designated roadways.

(9) Motorized golf carts shall be equipped with a rear-view mirror to provide the driver with adequate vision from behind as required by M.S. § 169.70.

(10) The operator of a motorized golf cart may cross any street or highway intersecting a designated roadway.

(11) Every person operating a motorized golf cart under permit on designated roadways has all the rights and duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under the provisions of M.S. Ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, except when these provisions cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts and except as otherwise specifically provided in M.S. § 169.045(7), as it may be amended from time to time.

(12) The City Council may suspend or revoke a permit granted hereunder upon a finding that the holder thereof has violated any of the provisions of this section or M.S. Ch. 169, as it may be amended from time to time, or if there is evidence that the permit holder cannot safely operate the motorized golf cart on the designated roadways.

(13) The number of occupants on the golf cart may not exceed the design occupant load.

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

DRIVER. The person driving and having physical control over the motorized golf cart and being the licensee.

MOTORIZED GOLF CART. Any passenger conveyance being driven with 4 wheels with 4 low-pressure tires that is limited in engine displacement of less than 800 cubic centimeters and total dry weight less than 800 pounds.

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

(Ord. 171, passed 12-14-2015)

§ 71.08 SNOWMOBILE AND ALL-TERRAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL REGULATIONS.

(A) *Definitions.* All definitions, as used in M.S. §§ 84.81 and 84.92, are adopted and incorporated in this section as if fully set out herein. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning stated below:

ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE or VEHICLE.

(a) A motorized vehicle with:

1. Not less than 3, but not more than 6 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.

(b) ***ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE*** includes a Class 1 all-terrain vehicle as defined in M.S. § 84.92, Subd. 9 and Class 2 all-terrain vehicle as defined in M.S. § 84.92, Subd. 10. ***ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE*** does not include a golf cart, mini-truck, dune buggy, or go-cart or a vehicle designed and used specifically for lawn maintenance, agriculture, logging, or mining purposes.

OPERATE. To ride in or on and control the operation of a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle.

OPERATOR. Every person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle.

OWNER. A person, other than a lien holder, having a property interest or title to a snowmobile or to an all-terrain vehicle and entitled to the use and possession thereof.

SNOWMOBILE. A self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice steered by skis or runners.

(B) *Operation generally.* It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle in the following unsafe or harassing ways:

(1) At a speed in excess of 15 miles per hour.

(2) In a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the person or property of another or to cause injury or damage thereto.

(3) In all other ways prohibited by M.S. §§ 84.87 and 84.92B, as amended.

(C) *Permitted areas of operation.* A person shall be permitted to operate a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle in alleys and on the following routes:

(1) First Avenue from north off of Highway 60 to Centennial Street, thence east to the first alley between First Avenue and Main Street, and thence to Railroad Street;

(2) Mill Street from the intersection with West Avenue east to Second Avenue, thence south to Second Street, and thence east to Hill Avenue;

(3) Fourth Street from the intersection with West Avenue east to the alley between Second and Third Avenues, thence south to Beverly Street, and thence east to Hill Avenue; and

(4) Along Hill Avenue and West Avenue to reach one of the above-described permitted routes.

(D) *Prohibited areas of operation.* No person shall operate a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle in any of the following areas:

(1) On public school grounds and city parks without the written permission to do so by the proper public authority;

(2) On private property of another without first obtaining written permission to do so by the owner or occupant of said private property;

(3) Within 100 feet of any fisherman, skating rink or winter recreational sliding area where the operation would conflict with the use or endanger other persons or property;

(4) On street rights-of-way, including public sidewalks and boulevards, except those portions of streets permitted under division (C) herein, normally used or intended for vehicle travel; and

(5) Any other public place prohibited by signs posted by the city.

(E) *Statutes adopted.* M.S. §§ 84.81 through 84.91, and 84.92 through 84.929, as amended, together with rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, are hereby adopted by reference, incorporated herein, and made a part hereof, except as otherwise provided herein.

(F) *Penalties.* Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 137, passed 12-11-2006; Am. Ord. 154, passed 1-4-2011; Am. Ord. 170, passed 10-5-2015) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.09 BICYCLES, ROLLERBLADES AND SKATE BOARDS.

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

(1) **OPERATE.** To ride in or on and control the operation of a bicycle, rollerblades or skate board.

(2) **OPERATOR.** Every person who operates and is in physical control of a bicycle, rollerblades or skate board.

(B) *Prohibiting areas of operation.* No person shall operate a bicycle, rollerblades or skate board in any of the following areas within the city:

(1) On any public sidewalk located on or along Main Street, and side streets within 1 block of Main Street.

(2) On private property of another in the area stated in division (B)(1), without the written permission to do so by the owner or occupant of said property.

(3) On the Wanamingo Veterans Memorial area located at the Wanamingo Veterans Athletic Field at Third Avenue and Fifth Street East or on any other public area where a memorial has been dedicated.

(Ord. 128, passed 8-24-2005; Am. Ord. 164, passed 11-18-2013) Penalty, see § 71.99

§ 71.99 PENALTY.

Every person violates any provision of this chapter when he or she performs an act thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, or fails to act when that failure is thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as follows:

(A) Where the specific division, paragraph or provision specifically makes the violation a misdemeanor, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor. When a violation is committed in a manner or under circumstances so as to endanger, or be likely to endanger, any person or property, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor. When a violator stands convicted of violation of any provision of this chapter, exclusive of violations relating to the standing or parking of an unattended vehicle, within the immediate preceding 12-month period for the third or subsequent time, he or she shall be punished as for a misdemeanor.

(B) As to any violations not constituting a misdemeanor under the provisions of division (A) hereof, he or she shall be punished as for a petty misdemeanor.

(C) As to any violation of a provision adopted by reference, he or she shall be punished as specified in that provision, so adopted.

(D) Any person who violates any provision of § 71.09 shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$300 or such other amount as permitted by Minnesota law.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 128, passed 8-24-2005)

CHAPTER 72: PARKING REGULATIONS

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§ 72.01 DEFINITIONS, SCOPE, AND APPLICATION.

See §§ 70.01 *et seq.* for definitions, scope and application relating to this chapter.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 72.02 PRESUMPTION.

As to any vehicle parked in violation of §§ 72.03 through 72.05, §§ 72.07 through 72.12, § 72.14 and § 72.15, when the driver thereof is not present, it shall be presumed that the owner of that vehicle parked the vehicle, or that the driver was acting as the agent of the owner or lessee.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 141, passed 1-14-2008)

§ 72.03 GENERAL PARKING PROHIBITIONS.

It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand, or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with the specific directions of a peace officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

- (A) On a sidewalk;
- (B) In front of a public or private driveway;
- (C) Within an intersection;
- (D) Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant;
- (E) On a crosswalk;
- (F) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at any intersection;
- (G) In a sign-posted fire lane;

(H) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal, located at the side of a roadway;

(I) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station, within 75 feet of that entrance when properly sign-posted;

(J) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when that stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;

(K) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or elevated structure upon a street;

(L) At any place where official signs prohibit or restrict stopping, parking or both;

(M) In any alley, except for loading or unloading, and then only so long as reasonably necessary for that loading and unloading, to or from adjacent premises; or

(N) On any boulevard which has been curbed.
(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 72.04 RECREATIONAL CAMPING VEHICLE PARKING.

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

RECREATIONAL CAMPING VEHICLE. Any of the following:

(a) ***CAMPING TRAILER.*** A folding structure, mounted on wheels and designed for travel, recreation and vacation uses.

(b) ***MOTOR HOME.*** A portable, temporary building to be used for travel, recreation and vacation constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle.

(c) ***PICK-UP COACH.*** A structure designed to be mounted on a truck chassis for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation.

(d) ***TRAVEL TRAILER.*** A vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, and vacation uses, permanently identified ***TRAVEL TRAILER*** by the manufacturer of the trailer.

(B) *Unlawful act.* It is unlawful for any person to leave or park a recreational camping vehicle on or within the limits of any street or right-of-way, for a continuous period in excess of 48 hours, except where signs are erected designating that place as a campsite, or in a mobile home park. Provided, however, that during that 48-hour period, the vehicle shall not be occupied as living quarters. (Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.05 UNAUTHORIZED REMOVAL.

It is unlawful for any person to move a vehicle not owned, leased, or under the control of that person, into any prohibited area or away from a curb to any distance as is unlawful. (Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.06 DIRECTION TO PROCEED.

It is unlawful for any person to stop or park a vehicle on a street when directed or ordered to proceed by any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control or regulate traffic. (Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.07 PARALLEL PARKING.

Except where angle parking is specifically allowed and indicated by curb or street marking, or sign-posting, or all or any of them, each vehicle stopped or parked upon a 2-way road where there is an adjacent curb, shall be stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle parallel with, and within 12 inches of, the right-hand curb, and, where painted markings appear on the curb or the street, the vehicle shall be within that marking, front and rear; provided that upon a 1-way roadway, all vehicles shall be so parked, except that the left-hand wheels of the vehicle may be parallel with and within 12 inches from the left-hand curb, but the front of the vehicle shall be in the direction of the flow of traffic upon that 1-way street; and it is unlawful to park in violation of this chapter.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.08 ANGLE PARKING.

Where angle parking has been established by City Council resolution, and is allowed, as shown by curb or street marking or sign-posting, or all or any of them, each vehicle stopped or parked shall be at an angle of approximately 45 to 60 degrees, with the front wheel touching the curb, and within any front wheel not touching the curb shall be the portion of the vehicle furthest in the direction of 1-way traffic; and it is unlawful to park in violation of this chapter.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.09 PARKING HOURS.

Parking on streets shall be limited as follows:

(A) It is unlawful for any person to stop, park or leave standing, any vehicle upon any street for a continuous period in excess of 72 hours.

(B) The City Council may, when authorized by resolution of the City Council, designate certain streets, blocks, or portions of streets or blocks, as prohibited parking zones, or 5-minute, 10-minute, 15-minute, 30-minute, 1-hour, 2-hour, 4-hour, 6-hour, or 8-hour limited parking zones, and shall mark by appropriate signs any zone, for a period of time in excess of the sign-posted limitation, or during sign-posted hours of prohibited parking.

(C) For the purpose of enforcement of this chapter, any vehicle moved less than 100 feet in a limited time parking zone should be deemed to have remained stationary.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.10 SNOW REMOVAL.

It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle on any street after a continuous or intermittent snowfall during which there has been an accumulation of 3 inches or more of snow on any street. No vehicles are allowed to be parked on the streets until all snow, ice and similar debris has been plowed or removed from the paved portion of the street.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 167, passed 12-8-2014) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.11 TRUCK PARKING.

(A) It is unlawful to park a detached trailer upon any street, city-owned parking lot, or other public property, except those that are specifically designated by the City Council by resolution and sign-posted. **TRAILER** as used in this division (A) shall be defined as set forth in M.S. § 168.002, Subd. 33, as amended from time to time.

(B) It is unlawful to park a truck (other than a truck of 9,000 pounds gross vehicle weight, or less), truck-trailer, tractor-trailer, or truck-tractor, within an area zoned as a residential district, except for the purpose of loading or unloading the same, and then only during that time as is reasonably necessary for that activity.

(C) It is unlawful to park a truck of more than 9,000 pounds gross vehicle weight upon any street in the business district which has been duly sign-posted prohibiting the same, but parking of that vehicle for a period of not more than 20 minutes, shall be permitted in that space for the purpose of necessary access to abutting property, while actively loading or unloading, when that access cannot reasonably be secured from an alley or from an adjacent street where truck parking is not so restricted.

(D) It is unlawful to park a truck, or other vehicle using or equipped with a trailer, or extended body, or other extension or projection beyond the original length of that vehicle, or any passenger bus, diagonally along any street, except for a time sufficient to load or unload, and in that case, only parallel parking shall be permitted. Provided, however, that a truck may stand backed up to the curb if the weight or bulk of the load makes parallel parking impracticable, but then only for a period of time sufficient to load or unload.

(E) Parking of commercial vehicles is permitted in duly designated and sign-posted loading zones, and in alleys, for a period of up to 20 minutes, provided that the alley parking does not prevent the flow of traffic therein, all of which shall be for the purpose of access to abutting or adjacent property, while actively loading or unloading.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 182, passed 7-10-2017) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.12 IMPOUNDING AND REMOVING VEHICLES.

When any peace officer finds a vehicle standing upon a street in violation of any parking regulation, that officer is hereby authorized to require the driver, or other person in charge of the vehicle, to remove the same to a position in compliance with this chapter. When any peace officer finds a vehicle unattended upon any street in violation of any parking regulation, that officer is hereby authorized to impound the unlawfully-parked vehicle, and to provide for the removal thereof, and to remove the same to a convenient garage or other facility, or place of safety, provided, that if any charge shall be placed against the vehicle for cost of removal or storage, or both, by anyone called upon to assist therewith, the same shall be paid prior to removal from the place of storage or safekeeping.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 72.13 LOADING ZONES.

The City Council may, by resolution, establish loading zones to be used for the specific purpose of loading or unloading merchandise from a commercial vehicle, or vehicle temporarily being utilized in the transport of merchandise. Those loading zones shall be installed by order of the City Council, where in the judgment of the City Council, a commercial loading zone is justified, and duly sign-posted.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998)

§ 72.14 PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PARKING.

(A) Statutory parking privileges for physically handicapped shall be strictly observed and enforced. Peace officers are authorized to ticket vehicles on either private or public property in violation of these statutory privileges.

(B) It is unlawful for any person, whether or not physically handicapped, to stop, park, or leave standing, a motor vehicle in a sign-posted fire lane at any time.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998) Penalty, see § 72.99

§ 72.15 PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT CONSENT.

It is unlawful for any person to park or abandon a vehicle on the private property of another, or to abandon a vehicle on private property of another developed as an off-street parking area with legible signs restricting parking, unless such person has obtained the consent of the owner, lessee, or person in charge of such private property.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 141, passed 1-14-2008)

§ 72.99 PENALTY.

Every person violates any provision of this chapter when he or she performs an act thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, or fails to act when that failure is thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of \$50. The fine as provided herein may be increased or otherwise revised from time to time by passage of an ordinance and upon the effective date of such ordinance, the revised fine shall be in effect.

(Ord. 89, passed 11-9-1998; Am. Ord. 141, passed 1-14-2008; Am. Ord. 156, passed 1-3-2012; Am. Ord. 161, passed 1-14-2013; Am. Ord. 167, passed 12-8-2014; Am. Ord. 168, passed 1-12-2015; Am. Ord. 172, passed 1-11-2016; Am. Ord. 176, passed 1-9-2017)

