

ORDINANCE NO. _888

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING, PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF VARIOUS DEVICES OPERATED UPON PUBLIC STREETS, HIGHWAYS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS, PARKING LOTS, PARKS AND ANY PATH SET ASIDE FOR THE PURPOSE OF VEHICULAR OR PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC, WITHIN THE CITY OF WORLAND, BY REPEALING, IN ITS ENTIRETY, CHAPTER 5 OF THE WORLAND CITY CODE, AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW CHAPTER 5. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, WYOMING.

WHEREAS, Chapter 5 of the Worland City Code establishes various rules and regulations pertaining to the operation of bicycles, skateboards, roller skates and rollerblades upon public roadways, and

WHEREAS, over time new devices for transportation have become popular and common which are not currently regulated and which have become dangerous for the operators of such devices as well as pedestrians and other forms of transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the health and safety of the citizens of the City of Worland, the Governing Body of the City of Worland does hereby codify Chapter 5 as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 1: Chapter 5 of the Worland City Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with a new Chapter 5 as contained in **EXHIBIT "A"** attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein. This Chapter 5 will be available at Worland City Hall and on the City of Worland Website for review by the general public.

SECTION 2: If any portion of this ordinance is held or found to be invalid, the remainder of the ordinance shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the City of Worland in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect on **AUGUST 15, 2026**, after having been published in the Northern Wyoming Daily News.

PASSED ON FIRST READING **JULY 7, 2026.**

PASSED ON SECOND READING **JULY 21, 2026.**

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIRD AND FINAL READING **AUGUST 4, 2026.**

CITY OF WORLAND, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation

By: _____

ATTEST:

REBECCA GEORGE - Mayor

TRACY A. GLANZ - City Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"

CHAPTER 5

DEVICES OPERATED UPON PUBLIC STREETS, HIGHWAYS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS, PARKING LOTS AND PARKS

ARTICLE I. GENERAL REGULATIONS

Section 5-1. State Statutes Applicable.

Wyoming Statutes Sections 31-5-701 through 31-5-707, as amended from time to time, addressing Bicycles and Electric Bicycles, are hereby adopted by the City of Worland and shall be enforceable by City Law Enforcement.

Section 5-2. Regulated Devices Defined.

A. The following devices, used for transportation, either electric or non-electric, operated upon any public streets, alleys, sidewalks, parking lots, parks and any path set aside for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, shall be subject to the regulations contained within this Chapter 5. The regulated devices include, but are not limited to, the following, to-wit:

1. Bicycles
2. Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device
3. Pedestrian Vehicle
4. Electric Scooter
5. Electric Assisted Bicycle
6. Motorized Assisted Bicycle
7. Skateboards
8. Roller Skates
9. Scooters (Human Powered)
10. Toy Vehicles
11. Disabled Pedestrian Vehicle (Wheel Chairs)

B. The following definitions pertain to the regulated devices addressed above:

Bicycle: A device propelled by human power applied to pedals upon which a person may ride, having two tandem wheels or two parallel wheels and one forward wheel, all of which are more than fourteen inches (14") in diameter

Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device: (EPAMD) A self balancing, non-tandem one or two wheeled device, designed to transport only one person, that is powered solely by an electric propulsion system producing an average power output of no more than 750 watts.

Pedestrian Vehicle: Any self-propelled conveyance designed, manufactured and intended for the exclusive use of persons with a physical disability, but in no case shall a pedestrian vehicle:

- i. Exceed 48" in width.
- ii. Produce in excess of 12 brake horsepower.
- iii. Be capable of developing a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour.

Electric Scooter: A device weighing less than 100 pounds with handlebars and an electric motor that is powered by a battery and that has a maximum speed of 28 miles per hour on a paved level surface when powered solely by the electric motion.

Electric Assisted Bicycle: A device having 2 or 3 wheels fully operable pedals, and electric motor not exceeding 750 watts of power. Electrical assisted bicycles are further required to conform to one of three classes as follows:

i. Class 1 Electrical-Assisted Bicycle: An electrical-assisted device equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 miles per hour.

ii. Class 2 Electrical-Assisted Bicycle: An electrical-assisted device equipped with a motor that provides assistance regardless of whether the rider is pedaling but ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 miles per hour.

iii. Class 3 Electrical-Assisted Bicycle: An electrical-assisted device equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 28 miles per hour.

Motorized-Assisted Bicycle: A device having 2 or 3 wheels fully operable pedals, and a gas motor not exceeding 50 cubic centimeters of power.

Motorized Skateboards: A self-propelled device which has a motor or engine, a deck on which a person may ride and at least 2 wheels in contact with the ground and which is not otherwise defined under Wyoming law or this Code as a "Motor Vehicle", "motorcycle", "electric bicycle", "motor-driven cycle" or "pedestrian vehicle".

Toy Vehicle: Any vehicle that has wheels with an outside diameter of not more than 14 inches and is not designed, approved or intended for use on public roadways or highways or for off-road use. Toy vehicle includes, but is not limited to, gas-powered or electric powered vehicles, commonly known as minibikes, pocket bikes, kamikaze boards, g-peds and stand-up scooters. Toy vehicle does not include electric scooters, low power scooters, e-bicycles, off highway vehicles or snowmobiles.

Section 5-3. Regulated Areas of Public.

The regulations contained herein, unless otherwise specified, shall be applied to transportation and use of the regulated devices upon any public streets, alleys, sidewalks, parking lots, parks and any path set aside for vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

With proper posting by the property owner, these regulations shall also apply to public and private parking lots where such devices may be operated. The owner of such property may provide various restrictions with posted regulations which can be enforced by law enforcement.

Section 5-4. Regulations.

The devices listed in Section 5-2 shall be subject to the following regulations:

A. Street Legal Devices: Any and all devices used for transportation, including devices operated by electric or gas, which have the ability to exceed twenty-eight (28) miles per hour; or, produce an average power output of more than 750 watts; or, have a cylinder capacity exceeding 50 cubic centimeters powered by internal combustion, are not governed by Chapter 5 of the Worland City Code. These devices are governed by Wyoming State Statute.

B. Toy Vehicles: Toy Vehicles shall not be operated on any public street, alley or right-of-way where vehicular, gas and electric devices are permitted to be operated. All persons operating such devices on sidewalks, paths, recreational trail, parks, parking lots, or as otherwise allowed, shall yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians and shall give an audible signal or verbal warning before overtaking and passing any such pedestrian. This includes pedestrians emerging from adjacent doorways onto such sidewalk or pathway.

C. Non-Street Legal: Non-Street Legal Devices are governed by Chapter 5 of the Worland City Code, and may be operated on any public street, alley or right-of-way, pursuant to the regulations contained within this Chapter 5. These devices include any and all devices used for transportation, including devices operated by electric or gas, which do not have the ability to exceed twenty-eight (28) miles per hour; or, produce an average power output of less than 750 watts; or, have a cylinder capacity less than 50 cubic centimeters powered by internal combustion.

1. All persons operating such devices shall, where such devices are permitted, unless otherwise addressed herein, have the rights and shall be subject to all the duties and penalties that apply to the operation of motor vehicles, unless by their nature can have no application.

2. All persons operating such devices emerging from an alley, driveway or parking lot, shall yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians approaching on a sidewalk and shall yield the right-of-way to all motor vehicles approaching on a street or alley.

3. All persons operating such devices on a public roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable.

Section 5-5. Lights, Reflectors and Equipment.

A. Every device used for transportation on public streets, alleys, sidewalks, parking lots, parks and any path set aside for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, in use at any time from one-half (1/2) hour after sunset to one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise, shall be equipped with a lamp on the front emitting a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred (500) feet to the front, and shall also be equipped with a red reflector on the rear visible from a distance of at least six hundred (600) feet from behind. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear may be used in addition to a red reflector.

B. A device or its rider may be equipped with lights or reflectors in addition to those otherwise required herein.

C. Every device shall be equipped with a brake or brakes that will enable its rider to stop the device on dry, level, clean pavement. Exceptions include devices that have no brakes which are controlled by human foot brakes.

D. Any minor riding a class III electric-assisted bicycle shall wear a helmet which is properly secured upon their head.

E. No Device shall be equipped with, nor shall any person use upon such a vehicle, a siren or whistle.

Section 5-6. Riding Behavior.

A. A person riding a device upon and along a recreational trail or sidewalk as allowed shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian using the recreational trail or sidewalk and shall give an audible signal or verbal warning before overtaking and passing any such pedestrian. Special care shall be given while operating on public sidewalks to pedestrians emerging from adjacent doorways onto such sidewalk or pathway.

B. Every person propelling a vehicle by human power or riding a bicycle or electric bicycle has all the rights and all the duties applicable to the driver of any vehicle, except as to those provisions which by their nature can have no application.

C. A person riding a device shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.

D. Persons riding a device upon a roadway shall not ride more than one (1) abreast except on paths or parts of roadway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

E. No device shall be used to carry more persons at one (1) time than the number for which it is designed and equipped. An adult rider may carry a child securely attached to his person in a backpack or sling.

F. No person riding upon any device shall attach the same or himself or herself to any motor vehicle upon the roadway.

G. A person operating a bicycle, electrical assisted bicycle or electric scooter shall keep at least one (1) hand on the handlebars at all times.

H. A person propelling a device shall not ride other than that for which the device is designed and equipped.

I. A person may park a device on a sidewalk unless prohibited or restricted by an official traffic control device or as otherwise addressed by ordinance.

J. A device parked on a sidewalk shall not impede the normal and reasonable movement of pedestrian or other traffic.

K. A device may be parked on the road at any angle to the curb or edge of the road at any location where parking is allowed.

L. A device may be parked on the road abreast of another such device near the side of the road or any location where parking is allowed in such a manner as does not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic.

M. Any device used to assist people with disabilities with mobility issues are exempt from this provision. However, such devices shall be equipped with a five (5) foot caution flag when operated on any street, highway or alley.

Section 5-7. Riding On Roadways.

A. Whenever a usable and marked path or lane including the road shoulder for devices has been provided adjacent to a roadway, riders are encouraged to use such path or lane. No person operating a device within a path or lane shall leave the path or lane until the movement can be made with reasonable safety and then only after giving an appropriate signal.

B. No person shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and ride a device into the path of a moving vehicle that is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard.

C. Every person riding or operating a device upon any street, roadway, alley, or public place at a speed lower than the speed of motor vehicle traffic shall ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway so as not to unreasonably impede the flow of traffic, except under any of the following situations:

1. When overtaking and passing another device or vehicle proceeding in the same direction.
2. When preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway.
3. When reasonably necessary to avoid obstructions and hazards.
4. When riding in the right-turn only lane.

D. Every person riding or operating a device upon a one-way street or roadway with two or more marked traffic lanes may ride as near the left-hand curb or edge of such roadway as practicable.

E. A rider shall not be expected or required to:

1. Ride over or through hazards at the edge of a roadway, including but not limited to fixed or moving objects, parked or moving vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards or narrow lanes; or
2. Ride without a reasonable safety margin on the side of the roadway.

F. In the event of any collision resulting in injury to any person or damage to any property in any amount, the rider shall immediately stop such device at the scene of the accident and shall give his name, address, contact information to the person struck or to the driver or occupant of any vehicle collided with, and shall render to any person injured in such accident reasonable assistance, including the carrying or making arrangements for the carrying of such persons to a physician, surgeon or hospital for medical or surgical treatment if it is apparent that such treatment is necessary or is requested by the injured person. Any person failing to stop or comply with such requirements under such circumstances shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

G. Any rider involved in an accident resulting only in damage to fixtures or other public or private property upon, contiguous or adjacent to a highway, alley, street, sidewalk or other right of way within the corporate limits of the city, shall stop and take immediate and reasonable steps to locate and notify the owner or person in charge of such property of such fact, and of his name and address and his contact information and shall make report of such accident immediately by the quickest means of communications to the police department.

Section 5-8. Handheld Electronic Wireless Communication Devices.

Any person who operates any of the transportation devices addressed within Chapter 5 upon any public street, alley, sidewalk, parking lot, park and any path set aside for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, is subject to the regulations addressed herein. This provision does not include Toy Vehicles. Any person who operates a transportation device while using a handheld electronic wireless communication device to write, send or read

text-based communication is deemed to have committed a careless driving offense. Handheld electronic wireless communication device includes, but is not limited to, wireless or cellular phones, Blackberries, smart phones, i-phones, laptop and notebook computers utilizing VOIP (voice over internet protocol) technology, navigational systems, and any other mobile communications device that uses analog or digital radio transmissions between the device and a transmitter to permit wireless communications to and from the user of the device.

Section 5-9. Parent or Guardian of Minor.

The parent or guardian of any minor or ward shall not authorize or knowingly permit such child or ward to violate any regulations addressed within this ordinance and may be subject to prosecution of a misdemeanor and fine if convicted.

Section 5-10. Misdemeanor Penalties.

Any person who violates the prohibitions contained within this ordinance is subject to prosecution and a fine if convicted. Citations may be issued in the following categories:

A. Equipment Violation: Any person who operates a transportation device without the proper equipment as defined in Section 5-5 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

B. Careless Operation: A person who drives or operates any such device in a careless and imprudent manner, without due regard for other transportation devices or pedestrians, or for the width, grade, curves, corners, traffic, weather, and road conditions, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to a fine, court costs and restitution, if applicable.

C. Reckless Operation: A person who drives or operates any such device in such a manner indicating a wanton or willful disregard for the safety of persons and property is guilty of reckless driving, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine, court costs and restitution, if applicable.

The fine and court costs shall be governed by Section 1-7 of the Worland City Code, as amended from time to time.