

Ordinance No. 2020-274

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KEOTA, IOWA, 2017, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE – GOLF CARTS.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Keota, Iowa:

**SECTION 1.** Title III, Chapter 4, Section 102 of the Keota Municipal Code, 2017, is hereby repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

Title III, Chapter 4, Section 101 and 102 is hereby repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**3-4-101 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this chapter is to permit the operation of golf carts on certain streets in the City, as authorized by Section 321.247 of the Code of Iowa, as amended. This chapter applies whenever a golf cart is operated on any street or alley, subject to those exceptions stated herein.

**3-4-102 OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS PERMITTED**

Golf carts registered with the City of Keota may be operated upon the streets of the City, except as prohibited in Section 3-4-101 of this chapter. The number of occupants shall not exceed the number of seats installed by the manufacturer in said vehicle. All operators under eighteen (18) years of age shall operate golf carts to and from the golf course only.

**3-4-103 PROHIBITED STREETS**

Golf carts shall not be operated upon Broadway Avenue from Keokuk-Washington Road to Davis Street as per the Business District sub definition in Section 3-4-2.5.2 unless said road is being crossed.

**3-4-104 HOURS**

Golf carts may be operated on City streets only between sunrise and sunset as set by the National Weather Service for Keota, Iowa.

**3-4-105 SPEED**

No golf carts shall be operated on any City street at a speed in excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

**3-4-106 REGISTRATION**

No person shall operate a golf cart on any public street or alley for any purpose unless said golf cart is registered by the City of Keota.

1. Golf cart owners may register a golf cart with the City Clerk using forms provided by the City.
2. The registration sticker shall be displayed visibly and prominently on the rear of the golf cart.
3. All registrations issued shall uniquely identify the name and address of the owner.
4. Registrations shall be effective from January 1 through December 31 of each year.

**3-4-107 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS**

1. Any person guilty of violating the provisions herein shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or a municipal infraction.
2. The permit may be suspended or revoked upon finding evidence that:
  - a. The permit holder has violated the conditions of the permit.
  - b. The permit holder or authorized user has abused the privilege of being a permit holder by engaging in reckless driving or by using the golf cart in violation of traffic laws.

- c. First offense suspension would be thirty (30) days and a ten-dollar (\$10.00) reinstatement fee. Second offense and all following offenses the revocation of permit would extend until January 1 of the following year and a twenty-five (\$25.00) reinstatement fee.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** That all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council of the City of Keota, Iowa, hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrased be declared unconstitutional.

**SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved by the Keota City Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

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ANTHONY CANSLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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TOMISHA HAMMES, CITY CLERK