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# ARTICLE 1 – Definitions

9.0101 Definitions

Words and phrases used in this chapter shall have the meaning and be defined as provided in Title 39 of the North Dakota Century Code, and North Dakota Century Code section 39-01-01 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

# ARTICLE 2 – Traffic Administration

9.0201 Duty of Police Department

It shall be the duty of the police department to enforce the street traffic regulations of the City and all of the state vehicle laws, to make arrests for traffic violations, to investigate accidents and to cooperate with other officers of the City in the administration of the traffic laws and in developing ways to improve traffic conditions and carry out the traffic ordinances of the City.

9.0202 Records of Traffic Violations

1. The police department shall keep a record of all violations of the traffic ordinances of the City or of the state vehicle laws of which any person has been charged, together with a record of the final disposition of all such alleged offenses. Such record shall be so maintained as to show all types of violations and the total of each. Each record shall accumulate during at least a five-year period and from that time on the record shall be maintained complete for at least the most recent five-year period.
2. All forms for records of violations and notices of violations shall be serially numbered. For each month and year a written record shall be kept available to the public showing the disposal of such form.
3. All such records and reports shall be public record.

9.0203 Police Department to Investigate Accidents

It shall be the duty of the police department to investigate traffic accidents and to arrest and assist in the prosecution of those persons charged with violations of law causing or contributing to such accidents.

Every law enforcement officer, who in the regular course of duty investigates a motor vehicle accident required to be reported as provided in Section 9.0309, either at the time and at the scene of the accident or thereafter by interviewing the participants or witnesses, shall make and forward promptly a written report of such accident to the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

# ARTICLE 3 – Enforcement and Obedience to Traffic Regulations

9.0301 Authority of Police and Fire Department Officials

1. It shall be the duty of the officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police to enforce all street traffic laws of this City and all of the state vehicle laws.
2. Officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police are hereby authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand or signal in conformance with traffic laws, provided that, in the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, officers of the police department may direct traffic as conditions may require notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.
3. Officers of the fire department, when at the scene of a fire, may direct or assist the police in directing traffic.

9.0302 Obedience to Traffic Ordinances

It shall be unlawful for any person to do any act prohibited by this Chapter or fail to perform any act required by this Chapter, and upon conviction of a violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter every person shall be punished as provided in Article 27 of this Chapter.

9.0303 Obedience to Police Officers or Firefighters

No person shall willfully refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any police officer or firefighter invested by law with authority to direct, control, or regulation traffic.

9.0304 Certain Non-motorized Traffic to Obey Traffic Regulations

1. Every person propelling any pushcart upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this ordinance and by the rules of the road portion of the state vehicle code, except those provisions which by their very nature can have no application.
2. Every person riding a bicycle or animal or driving any animal-drawn vehicle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this ordinance, except those provisions of this ordinance which by their very nature can have no application.

9.0305 Use of Coasters, Roller Skates and Similar Devices Restricted

No person upon roller skates, or riding in or by means of any coaster, toy vehicle, or similar device, shall go upon any roadway except while crossing a street at a crosswalk and when so crossing such person shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to pedestrians. This section shall not apply upon any street while set aside as a play street as authorized herein.

9.0306 Public Employees to Obey Traffic Regulations

The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the drivers of all vehicles owned or operated by the United States, this state, or any county, city, township, school district or any other political subdivision, subject to such specific exceptions as are set forth in this ordinance or in state law.

9.0307 Emergency Vehicles

The provisions of NDCC sections 39-10-03, 39-10-03.1, and 39-10-03.2 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Authorized emergency vehicles. **Class A** authorized emergency vehicle shall mean:
2. Vehicles of a governmentally owned fire department;
3. Vehicles when operated by or under the control of a police officer having authority to enforce the provisions of this title pertaining to all motor vehicles or by a salaried employee of any municipal police department within the municipality or by any sheriff or deputy sheriff not including special deputy sheriffs, or by the director of the department of corrections and rehabilitation and the director’s authorized agents who have successfully completed training in the operation of Class A authorized emergency vehicles;
4. Vehicles clearly identifiable as property of the department of corrections and rehabilitation when operated or under the control of the director of the department of corrections and rehabilitation;
5. Ambulances;
6. Vehicles operated by or under the control of the director, district deputy director, or a district deputy game warden of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department;
7. Vehicles owned or leased by the United States and used for law enforcement purposes;
8. Vehicles designated for the use of the adjutant general or assistant adjutant general in cases of emergency;
9. Vehicles operated by or under the control of the director of the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department;
10. Vehicles operated or under the control of a licensed railroad police officer and used for law enforcement purposes;
11. Vehicles operated by or under the control of the North Dakota State Forester. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-01-01)
12. The driver of a Class A authorized emergency vehicle may:
13. Park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this chapter;
14. Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation;
15. Exceed the speed limit so long as he does not endanger life or property;
16. Disregard regulations governing directions of movement or turning in specified directions.
17. The exceptions herein granted to a Class A authorized emergency vehicle shall apply only:
18. When the authorized emergency vehicle is in pursuit of or apprehension of a violator or a suspected violator requiring the use of these exemptions;
19. When the Class A authorized emergency vehicle in being operated in response to a reported emergency involving a possible personal injury, death, or damage to property, and when giving adequate warning by use of a flashing red or combination red and white lights that are visible under normal atmospheric conditions for at least five hundred feet (152.4 meters) and if appropriate, giving audible signal by siren or airhorn. A law enforcement vehicle that is otherwise a Class A authorized emergency vehicle may display a flashing blue light in addition to and under the same conditions as the other colors allowed in this subdivision;
20. In any instance when the head of the law enforcement agency deems advisable within the area of that person’s jurisdiction for the protection of person and property and when giving audible signal by siren or when giving adequate warning by use of a flashing red or combination red and white lights which are visible under normal atmospheric conditions for at least five hundred feet (152.4 meters). A law enforcement vehicle that is otherwise a Class A authorized emergency vehicle may display a flashing blue light in addition to and under the same conditions as the other colors allowed in this subdivision.
21. An emergency vehicle may not display or permit to be displayed any red lamp except when operated on official business.
22. Any law enforcement officer as provided in paragraph 2 of subdivision a of subsection 2 of Section 39-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code having stopped another vehicle along a highway, and while still involved in that incident, or any other such activity, may use amber lights, visible under normal atmospheric conditions for at least five hundred feet (152.4 meters), for the purpose of maintaining traffic flow.
23. **Class B** authorized emergency vehicles shall mean wreckers and such other emergency vehicles as are authorized by local authorities. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-01-01)
24. The driver of Class B authorized emergency vehicles may:
25. Park or stand, irrespective of the provisions of this chapter;
26. Exceed the speed limit so long as he does not endanger life or property during the time of a local or national disaster;
27. Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions.
28. The exceptions herein granted to a Class B authorize emergency vehicle shall apply only when the authorized emergency vehicle is displaying an amber light visible under normal atmospheric conditions for a distance of five hundred feet (152.4 meters) in any direction, and
29. When it is necessary for the authorized emergency vehicle to use these exemptions for the immediate protection of life or property;
30. When an authorized emergency vehicle is stopped on a highway for the purpose of performing a duty as required of the driver; or
31. When traveling at a speed slower than the normal flow of traffic. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-03.1)
32. **Class C** authorized emergency vehicles means:
33. Vehicles authorized by the state division of homeland security or local division of emergency management organizations;
34. Vehicles used by volunteer firefighters while performing their assigned disaster and emergency responsibilities.
35. Vehicles other than ambulance, used by emergency medical services personnel. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-01-01)
36. **Class C** authorized emergency vehicles. All Class B specifications apply to Class C authorized emergency vehicles except that a rotating blue flashing light shall be displayed in place of an amber light as provided in section 39-10-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code. With respect to vehicles used by state and local disaster emergency services personnel, the division of homeland security is responsible for adopting rules for the use of flashing blue lights in accordance with chapter 28-32 of the North Dakota Century Code. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-03.2)

9.0308 Operation of Vehicles on Approach of Authorized Emergency Vehicles - Penalty

The provisions of NDCC section 39-10-26 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle displaying a visible flashing, revolving, or rotating blue, white, or red light, the driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to, the right-hand edge or curb or the roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in such position until the authorized emergency vehicle has passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.
2. Whenever an emergency vehicle is parked or stopped at the scene of an emergency and is displaying a flashing, revolving, or rotating blue, white, or red light, approaching traffic shall move to the right-hand edge or curb of the roadway and shall stop, but once having stopped, traffic may proceed past the scene at its own risk when the roadway is clear, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.
3. This section shall not operate to relieve the driver of any authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the highways.
4. Any individual who violates subsection 2 and causes an accident with an authorized emergency vehicle while the authorized emergency vehicle is displaying a visible flashing, revolving, or rotating amber, blue, or red light is guilty of an infraction.

9.0309 Written Report of Accident

1. Immediate notice of accident. The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or at least one thousand dollars, shall immediately give notice of the accident to the local police department if the accident occurs within the City. The name of the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier and the policy number of the driver, or if the driver is not the owner of the vehicle, then the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier and the policy number of the owner of the vehicle, must be furnished to the law enforcement officer investigating the accident. If the driver does not have the required information concerning insurance to furnish to the investigating law enforcement officer, then within five (5) days of the accident the driver shall supply that information to the Driver’s License Division in the form the division requires. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-09)
2. Officer to report. Every law enforcement officer, who in the regular course of duty investigates a motor vehicle accident required to be reported as provided in subsection 1 either at the time and at the scene of the accident or thereafter by interviewing the participants, or witnesses, shall make and promptly forward to the director of the Department of Transportation a report of the accident in a format prescribed by the director. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-10)
3. a. An accident notice is not required from any person who is physically incapable of making the report during the period of such incapacity.

b. Whenever the driver of a vehicle is physically incapable of giving an immediate notice of an accident and there was another occupant in the vehicle at the time of the accident capable of doing so, such occupant shall make or cause to be given the notice not given by the driver.

c. Whenever the driver is physically incapable of giving notice of an accident and such driver is not the owner of the vehicle, then the owner of the vehicle involved shall within five (5) days after learning of the accident give such notice and insurance information not given by the driver. (Source: North Dakota Century Code Section 39-08-11)

1. Garages to report. The person in charge of any garage or repair shop to which is brought any motor vehicle which shows evidence of having been involved in a reportable accident as provided in Section 9.0309 (1) or of being struck by any bullet, shall report or cause a report to be made to a police officer within twenty-four (24) hours after such motor vehicle is received, and before any repairs are made to such vehicle, giving the registration number and the name and address of the owner, operator, or person in control of such vehicle with a description of the location and type of damage to the vehicle, or any missing parts, if the vehicle does not have a sticker on a window thereof issued by a police officer, sheriff or highway patrolman bearing information to show that the accident in which the vehicle was involved had been investigated. The police officer investigating any reportable accident shall attach a sticker to the window of any damaged vehicle showing that the accident in which such vehicle was involved has been investigated. If the vehicle does bear such a sticker the garage or repair shop need not make the report this section requires and may begin repairs immediately. After repairs have been made and before the vehicle is released, the sticker provided herein must be removed. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-12)
2. Wrecker and towing services to report. The person in charge of the operator of any commercial towing or wrecker service which causes any motor vehicle to be transported to a private residence or business other than a garage or repair shop which show evidence of having been involved in a reportable accident as provided in section 39-08-09 or of being struck by any bullet shall report or cause a report to be made to a police officer within twenty-four hours after such motor vehicle is transported. The report must give the registration number, and the name and address of the owner, operator, or person in control of such vehicle with a description of the location and type of damage to the vehicle, or any missing parts, along with the location such vehicle was transported to, if the vehicle does not have a sticker on a window thereof issued by a police officer, sheriff, or highway patrolman, bearing information to show that the accident in which the vehicle was involved has been investigated. If the vehicle does bear such a sticker the towing or wrecker service need not make the report this section requires. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-13)

# ARTICLE 4 – Traffic Control Devices

9.0401 Authority to Install

The city engineer or any person authorized by the City governing body shall place and maintain traffic-control signs, signals, and devices when and as required under the traffic ordinances of this City to make effective the provisions of said ordinances, and may place and maintain such additional traffic-control devices as necessary to regulate traffic under the traffic ordinances of this City or under state law, or to guide or warn traffic.

9.0402 Specifications for

All traffic-control signs, signals, and devices shall conform to the specifications approved by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation pursuant to North Dakota Century Code section 39-13-06. All signs and signals required hereunder for a particular purpose shall so far as practicable be uniform as to type and location throughout the City. All traffic-control devices so erected and not inconsistent with the provisions of state law or this article shall be official traffic-control devices.

9.0403 Obedience to Traffic-Control Devices

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-04 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic-control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise directed by a traffic or police officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this chapter.
2. No provision of this chapter for which traffic-control devices are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator if at the time and place of the alleged violation an official device is not in proper position and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person. Whenever a state statute does not state that devices are required, such statute shall be effective even though no devices are erected or in place.
3. Whenever official traffic-control devices are placed in position approximately conforming to the requirements of state law, such devices shall be presumed to have been so placed by the official act or direction of lawful authority unless the contrary shall be established by competent evidence.
4. Any official traffic-control device placed pursuant to the provisions of state law and purporting to conform to the lawful requirements pertaining to such devices shall be presumed to comply with the requirements of the chapter, unless the contrary shall be established by competent evidence.

9.0404 Unauthorized Signs

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-07.2 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may place, maintain, or display upon or in view of any highway, any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of an official traffic-control device or any railroad sign or signal.
2. No person may place or maintain nor shall any public authority permit upon any highway any traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising.
3. This section may not be deemed to prohibit the erection upon private property adjacent to highways of signs giving useful directional information and of a type that cannot be mistaken for official signs.
4. Every such prohibited sign, signal, or marking is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and the authority having jurisdiction over the highway is hereby empowered to remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice when located on highway right of way.
5. No person may place, maintain, or display upon or within the right of way of any highway any sign, post, pole, mailbox, or signal which has a red lamp or red reflector visible to traffic. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to official traffic devices, lamps, or reflectors on motor vehicles or bicycles, or railroad signals or signs.
6. This section does not prohibit the use of portable battery-powered warning devices emitting a flashing red light placed upon a highway to alert oncoming traffic to a disabled or stopped motor vehicle.

9.0405 Interference with Official Traffic Control Device or Sign

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-07.3 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

A person may not, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, remove, or interfere with the operation of any official traffic-control device or any railroad sign or signal or any inscription, shield, or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof.

9.0406 Designation of Walks, Lanes, etc.

The city engineer or any person authorized by the City governing body shall:

1. Designate and maintain, by appropriate devices, marks or lines upon the surface of the roadway, crosswalks at intersections where there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the roadway, and at such other places as directed by the City governing body.
2. Establish safety zones of such kind and character and at such places as may be deemed necessary for the protection of pedestrians as determined by the City governing body.
3. Mark traffic lanes upon the roadway of any street or highway where a regular alignment of traffic is necessary. Where such traffic lanes have been marked, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep such vehicle within the boundaries of any such lane except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement or performing other lawful traffic movements.

## ARTICLE 5 – Speed Regulations and Care Required

9.0501 Basic Rules – Penalty for Violation

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-01 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. Consistent with the foregoing, every person shall drive at a safe and appropriate speed when approaching and crossing an intersection or railroad grade crossing, when approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, and when special hazards exist with respect to pedestrians or other traffic or by reason of weather or highway conditions. Any person who shall drive a vehicle upon a highway or private or public property open to the public for the operation or motor vehicles without heed to the requirements or restrictions of this section has committed careless driving, and must be assessed a fee of thirty dollars ($30.00).

Any person who, by reason of careless driving as herein defined, causes and inflicts injury upon the person of an operator of snow removal equipment engaged in snow removal operations or causes damage in excess of one thousand dollars to snow removal equipment engaged in snow removal is guilty of an infraction.

As used in this section, “snow removal equipment” means a vehicle that is operated by a person employed by or on behalf of an authority in charge of the maintenance of the highway to perform winter maintenance snow and ice removal, including plowing, hauling away, salting, and sanding.

9.0502 Speed Limitations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-02 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Subject to the provisions of 9.0501 and except in those instances where a lower speed is specified in this chapter, it presumably shall be lawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive the same at a speed not exceeding:
2. Twenty (20) miles an hour when approaching within fifty (50) feet of a grade crossing of any steam, electric, or street railway when the driver’s view is obstructed. A driver’s view is deemed to be obstructed when at any time during the last two hundred (200) feet of the driver’s approach to such crossing, the driver does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such railway crossing and of any traffic on such railway for a distance of four hundred (400) feet in each direction from such crossing;
3. Twenty (20) miles an hour when passing a school during school recess or while children are going to or leaving school during opening or closing hours;
4. Twenty (20) miles an hour when approaching within fifty (50) feet and in traversing an intersection of highways when the driver’s view is obstructed. A driver’s view is deemed to be obstructed when at any time during the last fifty (50) feet of the driver’s approach to such intersection, the driver does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such intersection and of the traffic upon all of the highways entering such intersection for a distance of two hundred (200) feet from such intersection;
5. Twenty (20) miles an hour when the driver’s view of the highway ahead is obstructed within a distance of one hundred (100) feet;
6. Twenty-five (25) miles an hour on any highway in a business district or in a residence district or in a public park, unless a different speed limit is designated and posted by local authorities; and
7. Fifty-five (55) miles an hour under other circumstances, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
8. Sixty-five (65) miles an hour on paved two-lane highways of posted for that speed, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
9. Seventy (70) miles an hour on paved and divided multilane highways, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
10. Seventy-five (75) miles an hour on access-controlled, paved and divided, multilane interstate highways, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
11. Except as provided by law, it is unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed that is unsafe or at a speed exceeding the speed limit prescribed by law or established pursuant to law.
12. In charging a violation of the provisions of this section, the complaint must specify the speed at which the defendant is alleged to have driven and the speed which this section prescribes is prima facie lawful at the time and place of the alleged offense.

9.0503 When Local Authorities May or Shall Alter Maximum Speed – Limits – Signs Posted

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Whenever the City, on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, determines that the maximum speed permitted under this title is greater or less than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist upon a highway or part of a highway, the City may determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit thereon which:
2. Decreases the limit at intersections;
3. Increases the limit within an urban district but not to more than fifty-five (55) miles per hour; or
4. Decreases the limit outside an urban district.
5. The City shall determine by an engineering and traffic investigation the proper maximum speed for arterial streets and shall declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit thereon which may be greater or less than the minimum speed permitted under this chapter for an urban district.
6. Any altered limit established as hereinabove authorized shall be effective at all times or during hours of darkness or at other times as may be determined when appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected upon such street or highway.
7. Any alteration of maximum limits on state highways or extensions thereof in the City may not be effective until such alteration has been approved by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.
8. Not more than six such alterations as hereinabove authorized shall be made per mile along a street or highway except in the case of reduced limits at intersections, and the difference between adjacent limits shall not be more than ten (10) miles per hour.

9.0504 Speed Limitations Inapplicable to Whom – Liability of Exempt Driver for Reckless Driving

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The speed limitations provided for in this article do not apply to Class A authorized emergency vehicles. The exceptions provided for in this section do not protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences or a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

9.0505 Minimum Speed Limits

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. An individual may not drive a motor vehicle at a reduced speed so as to impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law.
2. If the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation and the superintendent of the North Dakota Highway Patrol, acting jointly, or the City, determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that slow speeds on any highway or part of a highway impede the safe, normal, and reasonable movement of traffic, the director and superintendent or the City may determine and declare a minimum speed limit below which an individual may not drive a vehicle except when necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law, and that limit is effective when posted upon appropriate fixed or variable signs.

9.0506 Regulations of Speed by Traffic Signals

The City traffic engineer or authorized person may regulate the timing of traffic signals so as to permit the movement of traffic in an orderly and safe manner at speeds slightly at variance from the speeds otherwise applicable within the district or at intersections and shall erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

9.0507 Exhibition Driving and Drag Racing – Definitions – Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-03.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may engage in exhibition driving of any vehicle on a highway, street, alley, sidewalk, or any public or private parking lot or area, nor may any person engage in a race, a speed competition, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, or exhibition of speed or acceleration. Any person who violates this section by engaging in an act defined by subdivision b of subsection 2 must be assessed a fee of fifty dollars. Any person who violates this section by engaging in an act defined by subdivision a or c of subsection 2 must be assessed a fee of one hundred dollars.
2. As used in this section:
3. “Drag race” means the operation of two or more vehicles from a point side-by-side by accelerating rapidly in a competitive attempt to cause one vehicle to out distance the other; or the operation of one or more vehicles over a common selected course from the same point to the same point for the purpose of comparing the relative speed or powers of acceleration of such vehicle or vehicles within a certain distance or time limit.
4. “Exhibition driving” means driving a vehicle in a manner which disturbs the peace by creating or causing unnecessary engine noise, tire squeal, skid, or slide upon acceleration or braking; or driving and executing or attempting one or a series of unnecessarily abrupt turns.
5. “Race” means the use of one or more vehicles in an attempt to outgain, outdistance, or to arrive at a given distance ahead or another vehicle or vehicles; or the use of one or more vehicles to willfully prevent another vehicle from passing the facing vehicle or vehicles, or to test the physical stamina or endurance of the persons driving the vehicles over a long distance driving route.
6. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting drag racing, exhibition driving, or similar events when carried out in an organized manner on a track or other privately owned area specifically set aside and used solely for such purposes by drivers of motor vehicles, including snowmobiles.

9.0508 Radar Evidence in Speed Violations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-03-15 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The speed of any motor vehicle may be checked by the use of radio microwaves or other electrical device. The results of such checks shall be accepted a prima facie evidence of the speed of such motor vehicle in any court or legal proceedings where the speed of the motor vehicle is at issue. The driver of any such motor vehicle may be arrested without a warrant under this section, provided the arresting officer is in uniform or displays the officer’s badge of authority; provided that such officer has observed the record of the device, or has received a radio message from the officer who observed the speed of the motor vehicle recorded by the radio microwaves or other electrical device.

9.0509 Care Required in Operating Vehicle

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-01.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any person driving a vehicle upon a highway shall drive the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner, having due regard to the traffic, surface, and width of the highway and other conditions then existing, and shall give such warnings as are reasonable necessary for safe operation under the circumstances. No person may drive any vehicle upon a highway in a manner to endanger the life, limb, or property of any person.

# ARTICLE 6 – Turning Movements

9.0601 Required Position and Method of Turning

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code Section 39-10-35 and all subsequent amendments shall be and are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn shall do so as follows:

1. Right turns. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn must be made as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway;
2. Left turns. The driver of a vehicle intending to turn left shall approach the turn in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle. Whenever practicable, the left turn must be made to the left of the center of the intersection and so as to leave the intersection in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the same direction as such vehicle on the roadway being entered;
3. The City may cause official traffic-control devices to be placed and thereby require and direct that a different course from that specified in this section be traveled by turning vehicles, and when such devices are so placed, no driver of a vehicle may turn other than as directed and required by such devices.

9.0602 Vehicle Turning Left

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-23 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left within an intersection or into an alley, private road, or driveway shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is within the intersection or so close thereto as to constitute an immediate hazard.

9.0603 Limitations on Turning Around

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-36 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of any vehicle may not turn such vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction unless such movement can be made in safely and without interfering with other traffic.
2. No vehicle may be turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction upon any curve, or upon the approach to or near the crest of a grade, where such vehicle cannot be seen by the driver of any other vehicle approaching from either direction within five hundred (500) feet.

9.0604 Turning Movements and Required Signals

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-38 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may turn a vehicle or move right or left upon a roadway unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety without giving an appropriate signal in the manner hereinafter provided;
2. A signal of intention to turn right or left when required must be given continuously during not less than the last one hundred (100) feet traveled by the vehicle before turning;
3. No person may stop or suddenly decrease the speed of a vehicle without first giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided herein to the driver of any vehicle immediately to the rear when there is opportunity to give such signal; and
4. The signals required on vehicles by subsection 2 of Section 9.0605 may not be flashed on one side only on a disabled vehicle, flashed as a courtesy or “do pass” signal to operators of other vehicles approaching from the rear, nor be flashed on one side only of a parked vehicle except as may be necessary for compliance with this section.

9.0605 Signals by Hand and Arm or Signal Lamps

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-39 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Any stop or turn signal when required herein must be given either by means of the hand and arm or by signal lamps, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2.
2. Any motor vehicle in use on a highway must be equipped with, and required signals must be given by, signal lamps when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the left outside limit of the body, cab or load of such motor vehicle exceeds twenty-four (24) inches (60.96 centimeters), or when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the rear limit of the body or load thereof exceeds fourteen (14) feet (4.27 meters). The latter measurement shall apply to any single vehicle and to any combination of vehicles.

9.0606 Methods of Giving Hand and Arm Signals

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-40 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

All signals herein required given by hand and arm must be given from the left side of the vehicle in the following manner and such signals must indicate as follows:

1. Left turn: hand and arm extended horizontally;
2. Right turn: hand and arm extended upward
3. Stop of decrease speed: hand and arm extended downward.

# ARTICLE 7 – Special Stops

9.0701 Authority to Designate Through Streets

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation with reference to state highways, and the City governing body, with reference to highways under their jurisdiction, may, by proclamation, designate as through highways, any highway, street, or part thereof, and erect stop signs or yield signs at specified entrances thereto, or may designate any intersection as a stop intersection or as a yield intersection and erect stop signs or yield signs at one or more entrances to such intersection.

9.0702 Through Streets Designated

The following streets and parts of streets are hereby declared to be through streets for the purpose of this chapter:

9.0703 Signs

All traffic control devices shall conform to state specifications.

9.0704 Stop Signs and Yield Signs

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code sections 39-10-24 and 30-10-44 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Preferential right-of-way may be indicated by stop signs or yield signs as authorized in Section 9.0701.
2. Except when directed to proceed by a police officer, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, or if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersection roadway before entering it. After having stopped, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time when such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways.
3. The driver of a vehicle approaching a yield sign shall in obedience to such sign slow down to a speed reasonable for the existing conditions and, if required for safety to stop, shall stop at a clearly marked stop sign, or, if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersection roadway before entering it. After slowing or stopping, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute and immediate hazard during the time such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways. Provided, however, that if the driver is involved in a collision with a vehicle in the intersection or junction of roadways after driving past a yield sign without stopping, such collision shall be deemed prima facie evidence of his failure to yield the right-of-way.
4. Every stop sign and every yield sign must be erected as near as practicable to the nearest line of the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if there is not crosswalk, then as near as practicable to the nearest line of the intersecting roadway.
5. Except when directed to proceed by a police officer or traffic control sign, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop intersection indicated by a stop sign shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, in the event there is no crosswalk, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway.
6. The driver of a vehicle approaching a yield sign if required for safety to stop shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, in the event there is no crosswalk, at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, then at a point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway.

9.0705 Emerging from Alley or Driveway

The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, driveway, private road or building with a business or residential district shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving on to the sidewalk or on to the sidewalk area extending across such alley, building entrance, road or driveway, or in the event there is no sidewalk area, shall stop at the point nearest the street to be entered when the driver has a view of approaching traffic thereon. The driver shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian as may be necessary to avoid collision and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on said roadway. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-45)

9.0706 Stop When Traffic Obstructed

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-68 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No driver may enter any intersection or a marked crosswalk or drive on to a railroad grade crossing unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection, crosswalk, or railroad grade crossing to accommodate the vehicle the driver is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles, pedestrians, or railroad trains notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed.

9.0707 Obedience to Signal Indicating Approach of Train

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-41 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of such vehicle shall stop within fifty (50) feet but not less than fifteen (15) feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not proceed until he can do so safely. The foregoing requirements apply when:
2. A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train;
3. A crossing gate is lowered or when a human flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train;
4. A railroad train approaching within approximately one thousand three hundred twenty (1,320) feet of the highway crossing emits a signal audible from such distance and such railroad train, by reason of its speed or nearness to such crossing, is an immediate hazard; or
5. An approaching railroad train is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.
6. No person may drive any vehicle through, around or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed. No person may drive any vehicle past any human flagman at a railroad crossing until the flagman signals that the way is clear to proceed.

# ARTICLE 8 – Operators

9.0801 Operators – Who Prohibited

The driving of motor vehicles, including automobiles, motor scooters, motor cycles, taxi cabs, trucks, or delivery trucks within the city limits of this City by any person who is not legally licensed to operated such vehicles under the laws of the State of North Dakota or by any person during the period his or her license is suspended, is prohibited.

# ARTICLE 9 – Miscellaneous Driving Rules

9.0901 When Traffic Obstructed

No driver may enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle the driver is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-68)

9.0902 Driving Through Funeral or Other Procession

The driver of a vehicle may not drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated as required in this ordinance, except when authorized to do so by a law enforcement officer or when such vehicle is an emergency vehicle giving an audible or visible signal. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (4) )

9.0903 Drivers in a Procession

Each driver in a funeral or other procession shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practicable and safe. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (3) )

9.0904 Funeral Processions to be Identified

A funeral procession composed of a procession of vehicles shall be identified as such by headlights burning in daylight hours on all vehicles in the procession. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (3) )

9.0905 When Permits Required for Parades and Processions

No funeral, procession or parade containing two hundred (200) or more persons or fifty (50) or more vehicles except the Armed Forces of the United States, the military forces of this state and the forces of the police and fire departments, shall occupy, march or proceed along any street except in accordance with a permit issued by the chief of police and such other regulations as are set forth herein which may apply.

9.0906 Drive on right Side of Roadway – Exceptions

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Upon all roadways of sufficient width a vehicle must be driven upon the right half of the roadway, except as follows:
2. When overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction under the rules governing such movement;
3. When an obstruction exists making it necessary to drive to the left of the center of the highway; provided, any person so doing shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles traveling in the proper direction upon the unobstructed portion of the highway within such distance as to constitute an immediate hazard;
4. Upon a roadway divided into three marked lanes for traffic under the rules applicable thereon; or
5. Upon all roadways any vehicle proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing must be driven in the right-hand lane then available for traffic, or 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 or when preparing for a left turn in an intersection or into a private road or driveway.
6. Upon any roadway having four or more lanes for moving traffic and providing for two-way movement of traffic, no vehicle may be driven to the left of the center line of the roadway, except when authorized by official traffic-control devices designating certain lanes to the left side of the center of the roadway for use by traffic not otherwise permitted to use such lanes, or except as permitted under subdivision b of subsection 1 hereof. However, this subsection shall not be construed as prohibiting the crossing of the center line in making a left turn into or from an alley, private road, or driveway.

9.0907 Passing Vehicles Proceeding in Opposite Direction

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Drivers of vehicles proceeding in opposite directions shall pass each other to the right, and upon roadways having width for not more than one line of traffic in each direction each driver shall give to the other at least one-half of the main-traveled portion of the roadway as nearly as possible.

9.0908 Overtaking a Vehicle on the Left

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-11 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The following rules shall govern the overtaking and passing of vehicles proceeding in the same direction, subject to those limitations, exceptions, and special rules hereinafter stated;

1. The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle.
2. Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

9.0909 When Overtaking on the Right is Permitted

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-12 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle only under the following conditions:

1. When the vehicle overtaken is making or about to make a left turn; or

b. Upon a roadway with unobstructed pavement of sufficient width for two or more lines of vehicles moving lawfully in the direction being traveled by the overtaking vehicle.

2. The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle upon the right only under conditions permitting such movement in safety. Such movement may not be made by driving off the roadway.

9.0910 Limitations on Overtaking on the Left

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-13 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No vehicle may be driven to the left side of the center of the roadway in overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless such left side is clearly visible and is free of oncoming traffic for a sufficient distance ahead to permit such overtaking and passing to be completely made without interfering with the operation of any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction or any vehicle overtaken. In every event the overtaking vehicle must return to an authorized lane of travel as soon as practicable, and in the event the passing movement involves the use of a lane authorized for vehicles approaching from the opposite direction, before coming within two hundred feet of any approaching vehicle.

9.0911 Further Limitations on Driving on Left of Center of Roadway

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-14 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No vehicle shall be driven to the left side of the roadway under the following conditions:

a. When approaching or upon the crest of a grade or a curve in the highway where the driver's view is obstructed within such distance as to create a hazard in the event another vehicle might approach from the opposite direction;

b. When approaching within one hundred (100) feet of or traversing any intersection or railroad grade crossing; or

c. When the view is obstructed upon approaching within one hundred (100) feet of any bridge, viaduct or tunnel.

1. The foregoing limitations shall not apply upon a one-way roadway, nor under the conditions described in 9.0906 nor to the driver of a vehicle turning left into or from an alley, private road or driveway.

9.0912 No-Passing Zones

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-15 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation and the City governing body are hereby authorized to determine those portions of any highway under their respective jurisdiction where overtaking and passing or driving on the left side of the roadway would be especially hazardous and may by appropriate signs or markings on the roadway indicate the beginning and end of such zones and when such signs or markings are in place and clearly visible to an ordinarily observant person, every driver of a vehicle shall obey the directions thereof.
2. Where signs or markings are in place to define a no-passing zone as set forth in subsection 1, no driver shall at any time drive on the left side of the roadway with such no-passing zone or on the left side of any pavement striping designed to mark such no-passing zone throughout its length.
3. This section does not apply under the conditions described in Section 9.0906 nor to the driver of a vehicle turning left into or from an alley, private road or driveway.

9.0913 Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-17 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Whenever any roadway has been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following rules in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply:

1. A vehicle must be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such movement can be made with safety.

1. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes and provides for two-way traffic, a vehicle may not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction when such center line is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation for making a left turn or where such center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the same direction that the vehicle is proceeding and such allocation is designated by official traffic-control devices.
2. Official traffic-control devices may be erected directing specified traffic to use a designated lane or designating those lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular direction regardless of the center of the roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such device.
3. Official traffic-control devices may be installed prohibiting the changing of lanes on sections of roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such device.

9.0914 Following Too Closely

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-18 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of a motor vehicle may not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of such vehicles and the traffic upon and the condition of the highway.

2. The driver of any truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle when traveling upon a roadway outside of a business or residence district and which is following another truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle shall, whenever conditions permit leave sufficient space so that an overtaking vehicle may enter and occupy such space without danger, except that this does not prevent a truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle from overtaking and passing any vehicle or combination of vehicles.

3. Motor vehicles being driven upon any roadway outside of a business or residence district in a caravan or motorcade whether or not towing other vehicles must be so operated as to allow sufficient space between each such vehicle or combination of vehicles so as to enable any other vehicle to enter and occupy such space without danger. This provision does not apply to funeral processions.

9.0915 Driving on Divided Highways

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-19 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Whenever any highway has been divided into two or more roadways by leaving an intervening space or by a physical barrier or clearly indicated divided section so construed as to impede vehicular traffic, every vehicle must be driven only upon the right-hand roadway, unless directed or permitted to use another roadway by official traffic-control devices or police officers. No vehicle may be driven over, across or within any such dividing space, barrier or section, except through an opening in such physical barrier or dividing section or space at a crossover or intersection as established by public authority, unless such crossing is specifically prohibited and such prohibition is indicated by appropriate traffic-control devices.

9.0916 Restricted Access

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code Section 39-10-20 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person may drive a vehicle onto or from any controlled-access roadway except at such entrances and exits as are established by public authority.

9.0917 Restrictions on Use of Controlled-Access Roadway

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-21 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation may by order, and the City governing body may by ordinance, with respect to any controlled-access roadway under their respective jurisdictions, prohibit the use of any such roadway by any class or kind of traffic which is found incompatible with the normal and safe movement of traffic.

The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation or the City governing body, as the case may be, shall erect and maintain official signs on the controlled-access roadway on which such regulations are applicable and when so erected no person may disobey the restrictions stated on such signs.

9.0918 Vehicle Entering Roadway

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-25 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle about to enter or cross a roadway from any place other than another roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on the roadway to be entered or crossed.

9.0919 Vehicle Approaching or Entering Intersection

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-22 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. When two vehicles approach or enter an intersection not controlled by an official traffic-control device from different highways at approximately the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on the right. If the intersection is T-shaped and not controlled by an official traffic-control device, the driver of the vehicle on the terminating street shall yield to the vehicle on the continuing street or highway.

2. The right-of-way rule declared in this section is modified at through highways and otherwise as stated in this chapter.

9.0920 Overtaking and Passing Schoolbus

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-46 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of a vehicle meeting or overtaking from either direction any schoolbus stopped on the highway shall stop the vehicle before reaching the schoolbus when there is in operation on the schoolbus the flashing red lights or the stop sign on the control arm specified in North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-18, and the driver may not proceed until the schoolbus resumes motion, the driver is signaled by the schoolbus driver to proceed, or the flashing red lights and the stop sign on the control arm are no longer actuated.
2. Every schoolbus shall bear upon the front and rear thereof plainly visible signs containing the word "SCHOOLBUS" in letters not less than eight (8) inches in height. When a schoolbus is being operated upon a highway for purposes other than the actual transportation of children either to or from school or for a school sanctioned activity, all markings thereon indicating "SCHOOLBUS" must be covered or concealed.
3. The operator of a schoolbus equipped with amber caution lights may activate those lights at a distance of not less than three hundred (300) feet nor more than five hundred (500) feet from the point where school children are to be received or discharged from the bus.
4. Every schoolbus must be equipped with a stop sign on a control arm and red visual signals meeting the requirements of North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-18, which may only be actuated by the driver of the schoolbus whenever the vehicle is stopped on the highway to receive or discharge school children.
5. The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with separate roadways need not stop upon meeting or passing a schoolbus which is on a different roadway or when upon a controlled-access highway and the schoolbus is stopped in a loading zone which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to cross the roadway.
6. Every schoolbus must bear on the rear of the bus a plainly visible sign containing the words “THIS SCHOOLBUS STOPS AT ALL RAILROAD CROSSINGS”.

9.0921 Unattended Motor Vehicle

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-51 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle may permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, effectively setting the brake thereon, and, when standing upon any grade, turning the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway.

9.0922 Limitations on Backing

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-52 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of a vehicle may not back the same unless such movement can be made with safety and without interfering with other traffic.
2. The driver of a vehicle may not back the same upon any shoulder or roadway of any controlled-access highway.

9.0923 Obstruction to Driver's View or Driving Mechanism

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-54 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may drive a vehicle when it is so loaded, or when there are in the front seat such a number of persons, exceeding three, as to obstruct the view of the driver to the front or sides of the vehicle or as to interfere with the driver's control over the driving mechanism of the vehicle.
2. No passenger in a vehicle may ride in such position as to interfere with the driver's view ahead or to the sides, or to interfere with his control over the driving mechanism of the vehicle.

9.0924 Opening and Closing Vehicle Doors

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-54.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person may open the door of a motor vehicle on the side available to moving traffic unless and until it is reasonably safe to do so and can be done without interfering with the movement of other traffic, nor may any person leave a door open on the side of a vehicle available to moving traffic for a period of time longer than necessary to load or unload passengers.

9.0925 Coasting Prohibited

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-56 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. The driver of any motor vehicle when traveling upon a down grade may not coast with the gears or transmission of such vehicle in neutral.
2. The driver of a truck or bus when traveling upon a down grade may not coast with the clutch disengaged.

9.0926 Following Fire Apparatus Prohibited

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-57 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of any vehicle other than one on official business may not follow closer than five hundred (500) feet behind an emergency vehicle displaying the appropriate light for that vehicle in an emergency. A driver of a vehicle other than one on official business may not stop the vehicle within two hundred (200) feet of any emergency vehicle stopped in answer to a 911 emergency.

9.0927 Crossing Fire Hose

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-58 and all subsequent amendments sare hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No vehicle may be driven over any unprotected hose of a fire department when laid down on any street, private road or driveway to be used at any fire or alarm of fire, without the consent of the fire department official in command.

9.0928 Garbage, Glass, Etc. on Highways Prohibited

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-59 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. An individual may not deposit upon any highway any glass bottle, glass, nails, tacks, wire, cans, rubbish, or any other litter, In addition, an individual may not deposit upon any highway any other substance likely to injure any person, animal or vehicle.

2. An individual who deposits, or permits to be deposited, upon any highway any destructive or injurious material shall immediately remove or cause to be removed the same.

3. An individual removing a wrecked or damaged vehicle from a highway shall remove any glass or other injurious substance dropped upon the highway from the vehicle.

9.0929 Driving Through Safety Zone Prohibited

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-64 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No vehicle shall at any time be driven through or within a safety zone.

9.0930 Moving Heavy Equipment at Railroad Grade Crossings

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-67 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may operate or move any crawler-type tractor, steam shovel, derrick, roller, or any equipment or structure having a normal operating speed of ten (10) or less miles per hour or a vertical body or load clearance of less than one-half (1/2) inch per foot of the distance between any two adjacent axles or in any event of less than nine (9) inches, measured above the level surface of a roadway, upon or across any tracks at a railroad grade crossing without first complying with this section.
2. Before making any such crossing, the person operating, or moving any such vehicle or equipment shall first stop the same not less than fifteen (15) feet nor more than fifty (50) feet from the nearest rail or such railroad and while so stopped shall listen and look in both directions along such track for any approaching train and for signals indicating the approach of a train, and shall not proceed until the crossing can be made safely.
3. No such crossing may be made when warning is given by automatic signal or crossing gates or flagman or otherwise of the immediate approach of a railroad train or car. If a flagman is provided by the railroad, movement over the crossing must be under the flagman’s direction.

9.0931 Open Container Law - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-18 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A person may not drink or consume alcoholic beverages, as defined in Section 5-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, in or on any motor vehicle when the vehicle is upon a public highway or in an area used principally for public parking. A person may not have in that person’s possession on that person’s person while in or on a private motor vehicle upon a public highway or in an area used principally for public parking, any bottle or receptacle containing alcoholic beverages which has been opened, or the seal broken, or the contents of which have been partially removed. It is unlawful for the owner of any private motor vehicle or the driver, if the owner be not then present in or on the motor vehicle, to keep or allow to be kept in a motor vehicle when such vehicle is upon the public highway or in an area used principally for public parking any bottle or receptacle containing alcoholic beverages which have been opened, or the seal broken, or the contents of which have been partially removed except when such bottle or receptacle is kept in the trunk of the motor vehicle when such vehicle is equipped with a trunk, or kept in some other area of the vehicle not normally occupied by the driver or passengers, if the motor vehicle is not equipped with a trunk. A utility compartment or glove compartment must be deemed to be within the area occupied by the driver and passengers. This subsection does not prohibit the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages in a house car, as defined in Section 9.0101, if the consumption or possession occurs in the area of the house car used as sleeping or living quarters and that area is separated from the driving compartment by a solid partition, door, curtain or some similar means of separation; however, consumption is not authorized while the house car is in motion. Any person violating the provisions of this section must be assessed a fee of fifty dollars ($50.00); however the licensing authority shall not record the violation against person’s driving record unless the person was the driver of the motor vehicle at the time that the violation occurred.
2. Subsection 1 does not apply to a public conveyance that has been commercially chartered for group use, any passenger for compensation in a for-hire motor vehicle, or a privately owned motor vehicle operated by a person in the course of that person’s usual employment transporting passengers at the employer’s direction. This subsection does not authorize possession or consumption of an alcoholic beverage by the operator of any motor vehicle described in this subsection while upon a public highway or in an area used principally for public parking.

9.0932 Permitting Unauthorized Minor to Drive

No person may cause or knowingly permit the person’s child or ward under the age of eighteen (18) years to drive a motor vehicle upon any highway when such minor is not authorized under the laws of this state. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-06-44)

9.0933 Permitting Unauthorized Person to Drive

No person may authorize or knowingly permit a motor vehicle owned by the person or under the person’s control to be driven upon any highway by any person who is not authorized under the laws of this state. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-06-45)

ARTICLE 10 - Pedestrians' Rights and Duties

9.1001 Pedestrian Obedience to Traffic Control Devices and Traffic Regulations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-27 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A pedestrian shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device specially applicable to the pedestrian, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.
2. Pedestrians are subject to traffic-control and pedestrian-control signals as provided for in Section 9.0403.

9.1002 Pedestrians' Right-of-way in Crosswalks

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-28 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. When traffic-control signals are not in place or not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger.

2. No pedestrian may suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard.

3. Subsection 1 of this section does not apply under the conditions stated in subsection 2 of Section 9.1003.

4. Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the highway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear may not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

9.1003 Crossing at other than Crosswalks

The provisions of NorthDakota Century Code section 39-10-29 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.
2. Any pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overhead pedestrian crossing has been provided shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.
3. Between adjacent intersections at which traffic-control devices are in operation pedestrians may not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk.
4. No pedestrian may cross a roadway intersection diagonally unless authorized by official traffic-control devices; and, when authorized to cross diagonally, pedestrians shall cross only in accordance with the official traffic-control devices pertaining to such crossing movements.

9.1004 Drivers to Exercise Due Care

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-30 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Notwithstanding otherprovisions of this chapter, every driver of a vehicle shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian and shall give warning by sounding the horn when necessary and shall exercise proper precaution upon observing any child or any confused, incapacitated, or intoxicated person.

9.1005 Pedestrians to Use Right Half of Crosswalks

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-32 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Pedestrians shall move, whenever practicable, upon the right half of crosswalks.

9.1006 Pedestrians on Roadways

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Where a sidewalk is provided and its use is practicable, it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent roadway.
2. Where a sidewalk is not available, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall walk only on a shoulder, as far as practicable from the edge of the roadway.
3. Where neither a sidewalk nor a shoulder is available, any pedestrian walking along and upon a highway shall walk as near as practicable to an outside edge of the roadway, and, if on a two-way roadway, shall walk only on the left side of the roadway.
4. Except as otherwise provided for in this chapter, any pedestrian upon a roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

9.1007 Pedestrians' Right-of-Way on Sidewalks

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian on a sidewalk.

9.1008 Pedestrians Yield to Authorized Emergency Vehicles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33.2 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle making use of an audible signal by bell, siren, or exhaust whistle and displaying a visible flashing revolving, or rotating blue, white or red light, every pedestrian shall yield the right-of-way to the authorized emergency vehicle.

2. This section does not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the highway nor from the duty to exercise due care to avoid colliding with any pedestrian.

9.1009 Blind Pedestrians’ Right-of-way

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33.3 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to any blind pedestrian carrying a clearly visible white cane or accompanied by an assistance dog.

9.1010 Pedestrians Under Influence of Alcohol or Drugs

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33.4 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

A pedestrian who is under the influence of alcohol or any drug to a degree which renders the pedestrian a hazard may not walk or be upon a roadway.

9.1011 Bridge and Railroad Signals

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-33.5 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No pedestrian may pass through, around, over or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad grade crossing or bridge while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed.

9.1012 Pedestrians Soliciting Rides or Business

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-34 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride.

2. No person may stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting employment, business or contributions from the occupant of any vehicle.

3. No person may stand on or in proximity to a street or highway for the purpose of soliciting watching of guarding of any vehicle while parked or about to be parked on a street or highway.

ARTICLE 11 – Regulations for Motorcycles

9.1101 Traffic Laws Apply to Persons Operating Motorcycles or Motorized Bicycles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-01 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Every person operating a motorcycle or motorized bicycle is granted all of the rights and is subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of any other vehicle under this chapter, except as to special regulations in this chapter and except as to those provisions of these ordinances which by their nature can have no application. For purposes of this chapter, the term “motorcycle” means motorcycles and motorized bicycles.

9.1102 Riding on Motorcycles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-02 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A person operating a motorcycle shall ride only upon the permanent and regular seat attached thereto, and such operator may not carry any other person nor may any other person ride on a motorcycle unless such motorcycle is designed to carry more than one person, in which event a passenger may ride upon the permanent and regular seat if designed for two persons, or upon another seat firmly attached to the motorcycle at the rear or side of the operator.
2. A person shall ride upon a motorcycle only while sitting astride the seat, facing forward, with one leg on each side of the motorcycle.
3. No person may operate a motorcycle while carrying any package, bundle or other article which prevents the person from keeping both hands on the handlebars.
4. No operator may carry any person, nor may any person ride in a position that will interfere with the operation or control of the motorcycle or the view of the operator.

9.1103 Operating Motorcycles on Roadways Laned for Traffic

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. All motorcycles are entitled to the full use of a lane and no motor vehicle may be driven in such a manner as to deprive any motorcycle of the full use of a lane. This subsection does not apply to the operation of motorcycles two abreast in a single lane as authorized in subsection 4.
2. The operator of a motorcycle may not overtake and pass in the same lane occupied by the vehicle being overtaken.
3. No person may operate a motorcycle between lanes of traffic or between adjacent lines or rows of vehicle.
4. Motorcycles may not be operated more than two abreast in a single lane.
5. Subsections 2 and 3 do not apply to police officers in the performance of their official duties.

9.1104 Clinging to Other Vehicles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-04 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person riding upon a motorcycle may attach the person’s self or the motorcycle to any other vehicle on a roadway.

9.1105 Footrests

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-05 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any motorcycle carrying a passenger, other than in a sidecar or enclosed cab, must be equipped with footrests for such passenger.

9.1106 Equipment for Motorcycle Riders

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person under the age of eighteen years may operate or ride upon a motorcycle unless protective headgear, which complies with standards established by the North Dakota Department of Transportation, is being worn on the head of the operator and rider, except when participating in a lawful parade. If the operator of a motorcycle is required to wear protective headgear, any passenger must also wear protective headgear regardless of the age of the passenger.
2. This section does not apply to persons riding within an enclosed cab or on a golf cart.
3. No person may operate a motorcycle if a person under the age of eighteen (18) years is a passenger upon that motorcycle and is not wearing protective headgear as provided in subsection 1.

9.1107 Other Applicable Law

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.2-07 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

All of the provisions of this chapter pertaining to the disposition of traffic offenses apply to this article.

# ARTICLE 12 – Regulations for Bicycles

9.1201 Effect of Regulations

1. It is a unlawful for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this article. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this article may be assessed a fee not to exceed five dollars ($5.00).
2. The parent of any child and the guardian of any ward may not authorize or knowingly permit any such child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this article.
3. These regulations applicable to bicycles apply whenever a bicycle is operated upon any highway or upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles subject to those exceptions stated herein. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-01)

9.1202 Traffic Ordinances Apply to Persons Riding Bicycles

Every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway is granted all of the rights and is subject to all of the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by this chapter, 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. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-02)

9.1203 Obedience to Traffic Control Devices

1. Any person operating a bicycle shall obey the instructions of official traffic-control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.
2. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U turn is permitted, no person operating a bicycle may disobey the direction of any such sign, except where such person dismounts from the bicycle to make any such turn, in which event such person shall then obey the regulations applicable to pedestrians.

9.1204 Riding on Sidewalks

1. The chief of police or authorized person may erect signs on any sidewalk or roadway prohibiting the riding of bicycles thereon by any person and when such signs are in place no person may disobey the same.
2. Whenever any person is riding a bicycle upon a sidewalk, such person shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian.

9.1205 Riding on Roadways and Bicycle Paths

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-05 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadways as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

2. Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway may not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

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

9.1206 Clinging to Vehicles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.4-04 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, sled or toy vehicle may attach the same or the person’s self to any vehicle upon a roadway, except a sled being pulled by a snowmobile.

9.1207 Carrying Articles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person operating a bicycle may carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the driver from keeping at least one hand upon the handlebars.

9.1208 Lamps and other Equipment on Bicycles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-07 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Every bicycle when in use at nighttime must be equipped with a lamp on the front which emits a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred (500) feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the North Dakota Department of transportation. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.
2. Every bicycle must be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

9.1209 Riding on Bicycles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A person propelling a bicycle may not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached thereto.
2. No bicycle may be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

9.1210 Bicycle Parking

No person may park a bicycle upon a street other than upon the roadway against the curb or upon the sidewalk in a rack to support the bicycle or against a building or at the curb, in such manner as to afford the least obstruction to pedestrian traffic.

9.1211 Cycle Racing Prohibited

It shall be unlawful for any persons to run or engage in or cause to be run or be engaged in any bicycle or motorcycle race on any street, alley, highway or public place within the City, except when officially sanctioned to do so by the chief of police.

9.1212 Point System Not Applicable

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10.1-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any violation of this article, or any moving violation as defined in Section 9.2210, or any nonmoving violation as defined in Section 9.2209 when committed on a bicycle as defined in Section 9.0101, is not cause for the licensing authority to access points against the driving record of the violator pursuant to North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-10. Any other legally authorized penalty for a criminal traffic offense or non-criminal traffic violation is applicable to bicyclists.

9. 1213 License Required

No bicycle may be operated within the City without first obtaining a license to operate the same and the payment of the annual license fee.

9.1214 License Application – Penalty

Application for a bicycle license shall be made upon a form provided by the City and shall be made to the chief of police or other authorized city official. An annual fee of $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shall be paid to the City before each license, or renewal thereof, is granted. All licenses are due January first of each year and delinquent April first of each year. The owner of a bicycle purchased after January first of any year shall apply for a license within ninety days from the date of purchase. Failure to pay the license fee within the time prescribed in this section subjects the owner to a penalty of $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or the impoundment of the bicycle, which may be held until the license fee and penalty are paid.

9.1215 Issuance of License

1. The chief of police or other authorized city official, upon receiving proper application therefore, is authorized to issue a bicycle license which shall be effective until the next succeeding first day of January, regardless of the time of issuance.
2. The chief of police or other authorized city official shall not issue a license for any bicycle when the chief or authorized offficial knows or has reasonable grounds to believe that the applicant is not the owner of, or entitled to the possession of such bicycle.
3. The chief of police or authorized city official shall keep a record of the number of each license, the date issued, and a record of all bicycle license fees collected.

9.1216 Renewal of License

Upon the expiration of any license, the same may be renewed upon application and payment of the same fee as upon an original application.

9.1217 Revocation of License

The municipal judge, upon application of the chief of police or other authorized city official, may revoke any license issued hereunder, after a hearing thereon, notice of which hearing shall be given to the licensee at least two (2) days before such hearing. A license may be revoked for any fraud or false representation in obtaining the same, for any violation of terms of this ordinance, and for the violation of any ordinance of this City or the laws of the State of North Dakota.

9.1218 Bicycle may be Impounded by Police

Any bicycle left abandoned upon the streets of the City and picked up by the city police shall be held by the police department and a $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pick up fee shall be charged. If the bicycle is not licensed, the owner shall purchase a current year’s license in addition to the pick up fee before the bicycle is returned to the owner.

# ARTICLE 13 – Angle Parking

9.1301 Angle Parking

The city engineer or other authorized city official may mark or sign streets upon which angle parking will be permitted (other than federal aid or state highways). Upon those streets which have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person may park or stand a vehicle other than at the angle to the curb or edge of the roadway indicated by such signs or markings.

9.1302 Angle Parking – Where

Angle parking shall also be permitted on the following streets:

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9.1303 Close to Curb

No person may stand or park a vehicle in a street other than on the roadway and parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right hand wheels of the vehicle within eighteen (18) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as otherwise provided in this article.

9.1304 Method of Parking - Penalty

A violation of the provisions of this article in respect to the method of parking is punishable by a fine of not to exceed twenty-five dollars ($25.00).

ARTICLE 14 - Stopping, Standing or Parking Prohibited in Specific Places

9.1401 Parking Prohibited - Times

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to park or leave standing either attended or unattended, any motor vehicle in or upon the streets or alleys of the City.

9.1402 Stopping, Standing or Parking Outside of Business or Residence Districts

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-47 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Upon any highway outside of a business or residence district no person may stop, park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon the paved or main-traveled part of the highway when it is practicable to stop, park or so leave such vehicle off such part of said highway, but in every event an unobstructed width of the highway of not less than twelve (12) feet opposite a standing vehicle shall be left for the free passage of other vehicles and a clear view of such stopped vehicles shall be available from a distance of two hundred feet in each direction upon such highway.

2. Sections 9.1402, 9.1404 and 9.1405 do not apply to the driver of any vehicle which is disabled while on the paved or main-traveled portion of a highway in such manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving such disabled vehicle in such position.

9.1403 Officers Authorized to Remove Illegally Stopped Vehicles

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-48 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Whenever any police officer finds a vehicle standing upon a highway in violation of any of the provisions of Section 9.1402, such officer is hereby authorized to move such vehicle, or require the driver or other person in charge of the vehicle to move the same, to a position off the paved or main-traveled part of such highway.

2. Whenever any police officer finds a vehicle unattended upon any highway, bridge or causeway, or in any tunnel where such vehicle constitute an obstruction to traffic, such officer is hereby authorized to provide for the removal of such vehicle to the nearest garage or other place of safety.

3. Any police officer is hereby authorized to remove or cause to be removed to the nearest garage or other place of safety any vehicle found upon a highway when:

a. A report has been made that such vehicle has been stolen or taken without consent of its owner;

b. The person or persons in charge of such vehicle are unable to provide for its custody or removal; or

c. When the person driving or in control of such vehicle is arrested for an alleged offense for which the officer is required by law to take the person arrested before a proper magistrate without unnecessary delay.

9.1404 Stopping, Standing or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-49 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person may stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer or traffic-control device, in any of the following places:

1. On a sidewalk;

2. In front of a public or private driveway;

3. Within an intersection;

4. Within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant;

5. On a crosswalk;

6. Within ten (10) feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;

7. Within fifteen (15) feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic-control signal located at the side of a roadway;

8. Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within fifteen (15) feet of points on the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless the North Dakota Department of Transportation or the City indicates a different length by signs or markings;

9. Within fifteen (15) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;

10. Within twenty (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 seventy-five (75) feet of said entrance when properly signposted;

11. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;

12. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;

13. Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel; or

14. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.

No person shall move a vehicle not lawfully under the person’s control into any such prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as is unlawful.

9.1405 Additional Parking Regulations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-50 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a two-way roadway must be so stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of such vehicle parallel to and within twelve (12) inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder.

2. Except where otherwise provided by ordinance, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a one-way roadway must be so stopped or parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, in the direction of authorized traffic movement, with its right-hand wheels within twelve (12) inches of the right-hand curb or as close as practicable to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder, or with its left-hand wheels within twelve (12) inches of the left-hand curb or as close as practicable to the left edge of the left-hand shoulder.

3. The City governing body may permit angle parking on any roadway, except that angle parking is not permitted on any federal-aid or state highway without first obtaining the written authorization of the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

4. The North Dakota Department of Transportation with respect to highways under its jurisdiction may place official traffic-control devices prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on any highway where in its opinion such stopping, standing or parking is dangerous to those using the highway or where the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles would unduly interfere with the free movement of traffic thereon. No person may stop, stand or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions indicated by such devices.

9.1406 Stopping - Parking - Certain Purposes Prohibited

No person may park a vehicle upon any roadway for the principal purpose of:

1. Displaying such vehicle for sale;

2. Washing, greasing or repairing such vehicle except when repairing such vehicle is necessitated by an emergency.

9.1407 Stopping - Parking - Congested - Hazardous Places

The city engineer or other person designated by the City governing body is hereby authorized to determine and designate by proper signs, places in which the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles would create an especially hazardous condition or would cause unusual delay to traffic.

When official signs are erected at hazardous or congested places as authorized herein, no person may stop, stand or park a vehicle in any such designated place.

9.1408 Stopping - Parking - In Alleys

No person may park a vehicle within an alley, nor shall any person stop a commercial vehicle so as to leave available less than twelve (12) feet of the width thereof for free movement of vehicular traffic, nor shall any person stop in such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

9.1409 Parking Adjacent to Schools

1. The city traffic engineer or authorized person may erect signs indicating no parking upon either or both sides of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in the traffic engineer’s or other authorized person’s opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.

2. When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon either side of a street adjacent to any school property as authorized herein, no person may park a vehicle in any such designated place.

9.1410 Stopping - Parking - Over 48 Hours

It shall be unlawful for anyone to park or leave standing on any public street or highway in the City any vehicle for a period longer than forty-eight (48) hours consecutively, provided this section shall not include any area where a shorter time is provided for parking.

9.1411 Parking Privileges for Mobility-Impaired - Certificate - Revocation

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-01-15 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Any mobility-impaired person who displays prominently upon an automobile parked by that person or under that person’s direction and for that person’s use, a distinguishing certificate or insignia for mobility-impaired persons issued by the North Dakota Department of Transportation is entitled to courtesy in the parking of the automobile. Provided, however, that the City governing body may, by ordinance, prohibit parking on any street or highway for the purpose of creating a fire lane, or to provide for the accommodation of heavy traffic during morning and afternoon rush hours, and the privileges extended to such impaired persons do not apply on streets or highways where and during such times as parking is prohibited.

2. A mobility-impaired person as used in this ordinance includes any person who uses portable oxygen; requires personal assistance or the use of crutches, a wheelchair, or a walker to walk two hundred feet without rest; is restricted by cardiac, pulmonary or vascular disease from walking two hundred feet without rest; has a forced expiratory volume of less than one liter for one second or an arterial oxygen tension of less than sixty millimeters of mercury on room air while at rest and is classified III or IV by standards for cardiac disease set by the American Heart Association; or has an orthopedic, neurological or other medical condition that makes it impossible for the person to walk two hundred feet without assistance or rest.

3. If a law enforcement officer finds that a mobility-impaired certificate or insignia is being improperly used, the officer may report to the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. Any person who is not mobility-impaired and who exercises the privileges granted a mobility-impaired person under subsection 1 shall be guilty of an infraction.

4. Whenever any public or private entity designates parking spaces for use by motor vehicles operated by mobility-impaired persons, those reserved spaces must be indicated by blue paint on the curb or edge of the paved portion of the street or parking lot adjacent to the space. In addition to blue paint, the space reserved must be indicated by an official sign approved by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. The City may enforce the provisions of this subsection in any parking lot or parking facility that is generally open to the public, whether publicly or privately owned.

5. A person may not stop, stand or park any vehicle in any designated parking space which is reserved for the mobility-impaired unless the vehicle displays a mobility-impaired identification certificate or insignia issued by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. For a violation of this subsection, there will be a fee in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100.00).

ARTICLE 15 - Reserved Parking Areas

9.1501 Reserved Parking Areas

No person, firm or corporation shall, when signs are erected giving notice thereof, park or leave standing, either attended or unattended, any motor vehicle on street areas which are reserved for the following temporary uses: loading and unloading, bus parking, guest parking, taxi parking, emergency parking, no parking, police or fire use.

The chief of police may establish from time to time areas for loading and unloading, bus parking, guest parking, taxi parking, emergency parking, no parking or police and fire use on such public streets in such places and in such number as the chief shall determine or as the governing body may specifically designate to be of greatest benefit and convenience to the public. These areas shall be designated by appropriate signs.

ARTICLE 16 - Time Limit Parking Zones

9.1601 Time Limit Parking Zones

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person, firm or corporation shall park or leave standing, either attended or unattended any motor vehicle for more than the amount of time posted.

The city engineer or authorized person may establish time parking zones from time to time in such places as they determine, or as the governing body shall specifically designate, to promote the greatest benefit and convenience to the public and the best use of the street areas.

ARTICLE 17 - Equipment of Vehicles

9.1701 Windshield - Must be Unobstructed and Equipped with Wipers - Tinted Windows

1. Every motor vehicle must be equipped with a windshield. No person may drive any motor vehicle with any sign, poster or other nontransparent material upon the front windshield, side wings or side or rear windows which obstructs the driver’s clear view of the highway or any intersection highway.

2. The windshield on every motor vehicle must be equipped with a device for cleaning rain, snow or other moisture from the windshield, which must be so constructed as to be controlled or operated by the driver of the vehicle.

3. Every windshield wiper upon a motor vehicle must be maintained in good working order.

4. A person may not operate a motor vehicle with any object or any material displayed, affixed or applied on the front windshield or on any side window where that material alters the color or reduces the light transmittance, or reduces the clear and unobstructed view through the windshield or window. This subsection does not apply to windows behind the driver or to tinted windows or windshields in compliance with the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.

9.1702 Child Restraint Devices - Evidence

1. If a child, under four years of age, is present in any motor vehicle, that motor vehicle must be equipped with at least one (1) child restraint system for each such child. However, a child under the age of seven who is at least fifty-seven inches tall and who weighs at least eight pounds is not required to use a child restraint system. The child restraint system must meet the standards adopted by the United States Department of Transportation for those systems (49 CFR 571.213). While the motor vehicle is in motion, each such child must be properly secured in the child restraint system in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. A child weighing more than forty pounds may be restrained by a lap belt if the vehicle is not equipped with lap and shoulder belts or if all lap and shoulder belts are in use by other occupants. While the motor vehicle is moving, each child of seven through seventeen years of age who is in the motor vehicle must be in an approved child restrain system in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions or correctly buckled in a seatbelt. Use of child restraint systems and seatbelts is not required in motor vehicles that were not equipped with seatbelts when manufactured. If a child is being transported in an emergency situation, this ordinance does not apply.

2. Violation of this ordinance is not, in itself, evidence of negligence. The fact of a violation of this section is not admissible in any proceeding other than one charging the violation. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-41.2)

9.1703 Use of Safety Belts - Enforcement

Subject to the limitations of this ordinance and North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-41.5, a driver may not operate upon a highway a motor vehicle designed for carrying fewer than eleven passengers, which was originally manufactured with safety belts unless each front seat occupant is wearing a properly adjusted and fastened safety belt. This section does not apply to a child in a child restraint or seatbelt; to drivers of implements of husbandry; to operators of farm vehicles; to rural mail carriers while on duty delivering mail; to an occupant with a medical or physically disabling condition that prevents appropriate restraint in a safety belt, if a qualified physician states in a signed writing the nature of the condition and the reason restraint is inappropriate; or when all front seat safety belts are in use by other occupants. A physician who, in good faith, provides a statement that restraint would be inappropriate is not subject to civil liability. A violation for not wearing a safety belt under this section is not, in itself, evidence of negligence. The fact of a violation of this ordinance is not admissible in any proceeding other than one charging the violation.

A peace officer may not issue a citation for a violation of this section unless the officer lawfully stopped or detained the driver of the motor vehicle for another violation. (Source: North Dakota Century Code sections 39-21-41.4 and 39-21-41.5)

9.1704 Drawbar or Connection Between Vehicles - Precautions Required

The drawbar or other connection between any two vehicles, one of which is towing or drawing the other on a highway, shall be of such design, strength and construction so as to prevent the unintentional uncoupling of the vehicles. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-44.2)

9.1705 Modification of Motor Vehicle

Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, a person may not operate upon a public highway a motor vehicle of a type required to be registered under the laws of this state with a weight of seven thousand (7,000) pounds or less with alterations or changes from the manufacturer’s original design of the suspension, steering or braking system of the motor vehicle. The weight must be computed on the basis of the unmodified and unloaded weight of the motor vehicle, and without regard to any ballast that may be placed in the vehicle. As to bumpers, motor vehicle height and permitted modifications, the following requirements also apply:

1. The motor vehicle must be equipped with front and rear bumpers.

2. The maximum body height permitted for a motor vehicle is forty-two (42) inches. Measurement of body height is made from a level ground surface to the floor of the cargo area.

3. The maximum bumper height permitted is twenty-seven (27) inches. Measurement of bumper height is made from a level ground surface to the highest point on the bottom of the bumper.

4. The vehicle may be modified in accordance with the following:

a. Any modifying equipment must meet specialty equipment marketing association standards.

b. If tires placed on a motor vehicle have a diameter greater than that of the tires on the motor vehicle as manufactured, those tires must comply with Department of Transportation requirements.

c. The maximum outside diameter permitted for tires if forty-four (44) inches.

d. A horizontal drop bumper may be used to comply with the bumper height requirement of subsection 3. The horizontal bumper must:

i. Be at least three (3) inches in vertical width;

ii. Extend the entire horizontal body width; and

iii. Be horizontal, load bearing and attached to the vehicle frame to effectively transfer impact when engaged.

e. The maximum lift permitted in the suspension system is four (4) inches.

5. A person charged with violating this ordinance has the burden of proceeding to show that the modifications are permitted under this section.

6. Vehicles owned by law enforcement agencies, the military, firefighting agencies and ambulances may be modified without regard to this ordinance. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-45.1)

9.1706 Scope and Effect of Equipment Requirements - Penalty

1. It is unlawful for any person to drive or move, or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven or moved, on any highway any vehicle or combination of vehicles which the actor knows to be in such unsafe condition as to endanger any person, or which the actor knows does not contain those parts or is not at all times equipped with lamps and other equipment in proper condition and adjustment as required in this chapter, or which the actor knows is equipped in any manner in violation of this chapter, or for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required under this ordinance. Any person who, in violation of this ordinance, drives, or any owner who causes or knowingly permits to be driven upon a highway, any vehicle or combination of vehicles which that person knows is unsafe or improperly equipped is guilty of an infraction.

2. Nothing contained in this ordinance may be construed to prohibit the use of additional parts and accessories on any vehicle not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter.

3. The provisions of this ordinance with respect to equipment on vehicles do not apply to implements of husbandry, road machinery, road rollers or farm tractors except as specifically made applicable.

4. The provisions of this ordinance with respect to equipment required on vehicles do not apply to motorcycles or motor-driven cycles, except as specifically made applicable.

5. The provisions of this ordinance do not apply to vehicles moved solely by human power, except as specifically made applicable. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-46)

ARTICLE 18 - Motorcycle Equipment

9.1801 Purpose

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code chapter 39-27 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

It is the purpose of this artucke to establish performance and equipment requirements for the manufacture, sale and safe operation of a motorcycle upon public highways, and to furnish administrators with a guide for registration eligibility and continued conformity as related to motorcycles. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-01)

9.1802 Manufacturer’s or Distributor’s Certification

1. The manufacturer or distributor shall provide a certification of the fact that a motorcycle or class of motorcycles is designed and manufactured for use upon public highways and complies with the performance and equipment requirements of this chapter, and the rules and regulations promulgated hereunder.

2. The certificate must be incorporated on the manufacturer’s statement of origin (MSO) upon transfer of vehicle ownership. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-02)

9.1803 Frame-Chassis Requirements

1. The motorcycle frame-chassis, including the suspension components and engine mountings, must be of substantial construction, capable of supporting the combined weight of all vehicle components and riders for which the vehicle is designed, and withstand normal road shocks and operational stresses without constituting a hazard to the riders or other users of the highway.

2. The wheelbase may not be less than forty (40) inches. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-03)

9.1804 Brakes

1. Every motorcycle must have either a split service brake system or two (2) independently actuated service brake systems in accordance with rules adopted by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. Brakes must act on the front and rear wheels.

2. Every motorcycle must meet the requirements for brake system effectiveness, fade and partial systems as specified in rules adopted by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

3. All linkage, cables, pivots and bearings must be free of excess (high) friction, with the front wheel brake cable so located and secured as not to become pinched between fork and frame members when wheel is turned completely to the right or left.

4. Brake actuating devices must be in an accessible location, unencumbered by vehicle components, and so positioned that adequate leverage and safe operation is ensured. Service brake system controls and operation requirements must be in accordance with rules adopted by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. A suitable mechanism shall be provided for the purpose of automatically returning the actuating devices to normal position upon release.

5. Motorcycle brakes must be capable of being adjusted automatically or manually with means provided to prevent unintentional adjustment.

6. Each three-wheel motorcycle must be equipped with a parking brake of a friction type with a solely mechanical means to retain engagement. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-04)

9.1805 Brakes on Motor-Driven Cycles

The City may require an inspection of the brake on any motor-driven cycle and may disapprove any brake which is not so designed or constructed as to ensure reasonable and reliable performance in actual use. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-04.1)

9.1806 Tires, Wheels and Rims

1. Motorcycle tires must be of pneumatic design with a minimum width of two and twenty-five hundredths (2 25/100) inches designed for highway use.

2. Tires on two-wheel motorcycles and the front tire on a three-wheel motorcycle must have a load capacity rating at least equal to their respective gross axle weight ratings (GAWR). Each tire on the rear axle of a three-wheel motorcycle must have a load capacity rating at least equal to one-half (1/2) the rear axle gross axle weight rating (GAWR).

3. Wheel rim diameters may not be less than ten (10) inches (25.4 centimeters) and shall otherwise comply with applicable state standards, as promulgated by the registrar of motor vehicles. Two-wheel motorcycles using low pressure tires are exempt from this subsection, if the inflated height of the tire is twenty (20) inches or greater. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-05)

9.1807 Steering and Suspension Systems

1. Motorcycle steering and suspension systems must be designed and engineered to provide the operator with the means of safely controlling vehicle direction under all maneuvers required for normal and safe operation.

2. The rear wheel of a two-wheel motorcycle must track behind a front wheel within one (1) inch with both wheels in a vertical plane when the vehicle is operating on a straight course. On a three-wheel motorcycle, the two wheels mounted on the rear axle must have a wheel track distance no less than thirty (30) inches and the mid-point of the rear wheel track distance shall be within one (1) inchof the front wheel track when the vehicle is proceeding on a straight course. The vehicle must be equipped with an adjustment feature that will provide proper wheel tracking.

3. The steering head must be provided with a bearing or similar device that will allow the steering shaft to turn freely in rotational motion only.

4. All motorcycles, except three-wheel motorcycles, must meet the following specifications in relationship to front wheel geometry:

Maximum Rake: 45 degrees - Trail: 14 inches positive

Minimum Rake: 20 degrees - Trail: 2 inches positive

Manufacturer’s specifications must include the specific rake and trail for each motorcycle or class of motorcycles and the terms “rake” and “trail” must be defined by rules adopted by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

5. Handlebars must be of sturdy construction, adequate in size to provide proper leverage for steering and capable of withstanding a minimum force of one hundred (100) pounds applied to each handgrip in any direction. Handlebar grips may not be located above the shoulder height of the seated operator and must be capable of vertical adjustment. The handlebars must provide a minimum of eighteen (18) inches between grip after final assembly.

6. Handlebars must be equipped with handgrips consisting of a material and surface patter to ensure firm, non-slip gripping for the driver.

7. Every motorcycle must be equipped with a suspension system and such suspension system must be applicable to at least the front wheel. The suspension system must be effective in reducing road shock and designed for the purpose of maximizing vehicle stability. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-06)

9.1808 Fuel Systems

1. All fuel system components, including the tank, pump, tubing, hoses, clamps, etc. must be securely fastened to the motorcycle so as not to interfere with vehicle operation and be leak proof when the vehicle is in its normal operating attitude.

2. Fuel lines must be positioned in a manner to prevent their contact with the engine head, manifold, exhaust system or other high temperature surfaces or moving components. The fuel system must be adequately vented and provided with a fuel shutoff valve located between the fuel supply and the engine. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-07)

9.1809 Exhaust Systems - Prevention of Noise

Motorcycles must be equipped with an exhaust system incorporating a muffler or other mechanical device for the purpose of effectively reducing engine noise. Cutouts and bypasses in the exhaust system are prohibited. The system must be leak proof and all components must be securely attached to the vehicle and located so as not to interfere with the operation of the motorcycle. Shielding must be provided to prevent inadvertent contact with the exhaust system by the operator or passenger during normal operation. In addition, all motorcycles operating on streets and highways must meet the noise decibel limitations as established by the Environmental Protection Agency. No person may sell, offer for sale or install any noise suppressing system or device which will produce noise in excess of the maximum allowable decibel limitations of this section. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-08)

9.1810 Mirrors

Every motorcycle must be equipped with at least one mirror of unit magnification, securely affixed to the handlebar and capable of adjustment within a range that will reflect an image that includes at least the horizon and the road surface to the rear of the motorcycle. Such mirror must consist of a minimum reflective surface of ten (10) square inches (64.52 square centimeters). All mirrors shall not contain sharp edges or projections capable of producing injury. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-09)

9.1811 Fenders

Each wheel of a motorcycle must be equipped with fenders or otherwise covered by the body configuration. Fenders must be securely mounted and of sufficient size and strength to minimize water or other road surface substances from coming in contact with the vehicle riders, or throwing the road substances unreasonably to the rear of the vehicle. Fender design must be effective in reducing side spray. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-10)

9.1812 Seat or Saddle

A seat or saddle securely attached to the vehicle must be provided for the use of the operator. The seat or saddle may not be less than twenty-five (25) inches (63.5 centimeters) above a level road surface when measured to the lowest point on top of the seat or saddle cushion with the operator seated in a driving position. The seat or saddle adjustment locking device must prevent relative movement of the seat from its selected and secured position under all normal vehicle operating conditions. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-11)

9.1813 Chain Guard

Any drive chain on a motorcycle must be equipped with a chain guard or covering device to prevent chain or chain sprocket contact with any rider. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-12)

9.1814 Vehicle Stand

All motorcycles designed with two wheels must be equipped with a retracting vehicle stand to permit the vehicle to remain in an upright stored position without outside assistance. The stand may be of a side or center type, and shall be of substantial construction to hold the vehicle to equipped. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-13)

9.1815 Glazing

When equipped, all motorcycle windscreens and windshields must meet the following standards:

1. The glazing material must comply with the standards promulgated by rule of the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

2. The metal support must be of a material which shall bend rather than fragment under impact.

3. Covering material, other than glazing, must be beaded at the edges to prevent fraying. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-14)

9.1816 Horn

Every motorcycle must be equipped with an operative horn in good working order as described by Subsection 1 of Section 39-21-36 of the North Dakota Century Code. The horn shall operate from a control device located on the left handlebar. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-15)

9.1817 Speedometer and Odometer

Every motorcycle must be equipped with a properly operating speedometer and odometer calibrated in miles (kilometers) per hour and miles (kilometers) respectively and must be fully illuminated when the headlamp is activated. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-16)

9.1818 Lighting Equipment

1. A motorcycle must be equipped with lamps, reflective devices and associated equipment as required by and in compliance with standards adopted by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

2. A gearbox indicator light, if provided, must be located within the operator’s field of vision.

3. A headlamp beam indicator light must be located within the operator’s field of vision and illuminated automatically when the high beam of the headlamp is actuated.

4. A motorcycle must be equipped with at least one taillamp in accordance with North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-04.

5. A motorcycle must be equipped with a stop lamp in accordance with subsection 1 of North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-19. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-17)

9.1819 Lighting Equipment on Motor-Driven Cycles

The headlamp or headlamps upon every motor-driven cycle must be of the single-beam or multiple-beam type but in either event must comply with the requirements and limitations as follows:

1. Every headlamp or headlamps on a motor-driven cycle must be of sufficient intensity to reveal a person or a vehicle at a distance of not less than one hundred (100) feet when the motor-driven cycle is operated at any speed less than twenty-five (25) miles per hour and at a distance of not less than two hundred (200) feet when the motor-driven cycle is operated at a speed of twenty-five (25) or more miles (40.23 or more kilometers) per hour and at a distance of not less than three hundred (300) feet when the motor-driven cycle is operated at a speed of thirty-five (35) miles per hour.

2. In the event the motor-driven cycle is equipped with a multiple-beam headlamp or headlamps the upper beam may not exceed the limitations set forth in Subsection 1of Section 39-21-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, and the lowermost beam shall meet the requirements applicable to the lowermost distribution of light as set forth in Subsection 2 of Section 39-21-20 of the North Dakota Century Code.

3. In the event the motor-driven cycle is equipped with a single-beam lamp or lamps the lamp or lamps must be so aimed that when the vehicle is loaded none of the high-intensity portion of light, at a distance of twenty-five (25) feet ahead, projects higher than the level of the center of the lamp from which it comes. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-17.1)

9.1820 Passenger Seat

Motorcycles designed to carry more than one person must be equipped with a securely mounted seat for each passenger located to the side or rear of the driver such that the passenger seat does not interfere with the driver’s control or operation of the vehicle. In the case of a two-wheel vehicle, the passenger seat must be located on the longitudinal centerline of the motorcycle. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-18)

9.1821 Footrests

Footrests must be provided for each designated seating position. Each footrest for a passenger must be so designated and constructed to support a static weight of two hundred fifty (250) pounds applied at the center of the foot pedal. Footrests must be so located to provide reasonable accessibility for the passenger’s feet. Footrests must fold rearward or upward when not in use if the footrest protrudes beyond the width of the handlebars. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-20)

9.1822 Highway Bars

If a motorcycle is so equipped, highway bars must have a maximum width of twenty-six (26) inches; shall be located less than fifteen (15) inches from the foot controls and may not interfere with the operation of the foot controls. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-21)

9.1823 Equipment Approval

All motorcycle lighting devices, electrical systems, brake components, glazing materials and exhaust systems, incorporating a muffler or other mechanical exhaust device, required or optional, must be approved by the North Dakota Department of Transportation before they will be available for use within the state. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-27-22)

ARTICLE 19 - Lighted Lamps Required

9.1901 When Lighted Lamps are Required

Subject to exceptions with respect to parked vehicles, every vehicle upon a highway within this state must display lighted lamps and illuminating devices as required in this article for different classes of vehicles as follows:

1. At any time from sunset to sunrise, and every farm tractor upon a highway within this state at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise;

2. At any time when it is raining, snowing, sleeting or hailing or during other adverse driving conditions and these conditions do not render a person or vehicle on the highway clearly discernible at a distance of one thousand (1000) feet ahead; or

3. At any other time when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other conditions or when there is insufficient light to render a person or vehicle on the highway clearly discernible at a distance of one thousand (1000) feet ahead.

Stoplights, turn signals and other signaling devices must be lighted as prescribed for the use of such devices. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-21-01)

ARTICLE 20 - Regulating the Kinds and Classes of Traffic on Certain Roads

9.2001 Load Restrictions Upon Vehicles Using Certain Roadways

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person may operate any vehicle with a gross weight in excess of the maximum indicated weight at any time upon any street or part of a street so designated.

9.2002 Commercial Vehicles Prohibited from Using Certain Streets

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person may operate any commercial vehicle exceeding the maximum indicated gross weight at any time upon any street or part of a street so designated except that such vehicles may be operated thereon for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise and then only by entering such street at the intersection nearest the designation of the vehicle and proceeding thereon no farther than the nearest intersection thereafter.

9.2003 Size Restrictions Upon Vehicles Using Certain Highways

When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person may operate any vehicle exceeding the dimensions specified by such sign or signs at any time upon any street or part of a street so designated.

9.2004 Restrictions Upon Use of Streets by Certain Vehicles

1. The city traffic engineer or authorized person may determine and designate those streets upon which shall be prohibited the use of the roadway by off-highway vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, bicycles, horse-drawn vehicles or other types of traffic and shall erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

2. When signs are so erected giving notice thereof, no person may disobey the restrictions stated on such signs.

ARTICLE 21 - Criminal Traffic Violations

9.2101 Persons Under the Influence of Intoxicating Liquor or Narcotic Drugs not to Operate Vehicle - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-01 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A person may not drive or be in actual physical control of any vehicle upon a highway or upon public or private areas to which the public has a right of access for vehicular use in this state if any of the following apply:

a. That person has an alcohol concentration of at least eight one-hundredths of one percent by weight at the time of the performance of a chemical test within two hours after the driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle.

b. That person is under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

c. That person is under the influence of any drug or substance or combination of drugs or substances to a degree which renders that person incapable of safely driving.

d. That person is under the combined influence of alcohol and any other drugs or substances to a degree which renders that person incapable of safely driving.

The fact that any person charged with violating this ordinance is or has been legally entitled to use alcohol or other drugs or substances is not a defense against any charge for violating this section, unless a drug which predominately caused impairment was used only as directed or cautioned by a practitioner who legally prescribed or dispensed the drug to that person.

2. A person violating this ordinance is guilty of a class B misdemeanor for the first or second offense in a five-year period, of a class A misdemeanor for a third offense in a five-year period, of a class A misdemeanor for the fourth offense in a seven-year period, and of a class C felony for a fifth or subsequent offense in a seven-year period. The minimum penalty for violating this section is as provided in subsection 4. The court shall take judicial notice of the fact that an offense would be a subsequent offense if indicated by the records of the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation or may make a subsequent offense finding based on other evidence.

3. Upon conviction of a second or subsequent offense with five years under this ordinance or equivalent law, the court must order the motor vehicle number plates of the motor vehicle owned and operated by the offender at the time of the offense to be impounded for the duration of the period of suspension or revocation of the offender’s driving privilege by the licensing authority. The impounded number plates must be sent to the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation who must retain them for the period of suspension or revocation, subject to their disposition by the court. The court may make an exception to this subsection, on an individual basis, to avoid undue hardship to an individual who is completely dependent on the motor vehicle for the necessities of life, including a family member of the convicted individual and a co-owner of the motor vehicle, but not including the offender.

4. A person convicted of violating this ordinance must be sentenced in accordance with this subsection.

a. For a first offense, the sentence must include both a fine of at least two hundred fifty dollars and an order for addiction evaluation by an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program.

b. For a second offense within five years, the sentence must include at least five days’ imprisonment or placement in a minimum security facility, of which forty-eight hours must be served consecutively, or thirty days’ community service; a fine of at least five hundred dollars; and an order for addiction evaluation by an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program.

c. For a third offense within five years, the sentence must include at least sixty days’ imprisonment or placement in a minimum security facility, of which forty-eight hours must be served consecutively; a fine of one thousand dollars; and an order for addiction evaluation by an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program.

d. For a fourth or subsequent offense within seven years, the sentence must include one hundred eighty days’ imprisonment or placement in a minimum security facility, of which forty-eight hours must be served consecutively and a fine of one thousand dollars; and an order for addition evaluation by an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program.

e. The execution or imposition of sentence under this section may not be suspended or deferred under subsection 3 or 4 of section 12.1-32-02 of the North Dakota Century Code.

f. For purposes of this ordinance, conviction of an offense under a law or ordinance of another state which is equivalent to this section must be considered a prior offense if such offense was committed within the time limitations specified in this subsection.

g. If the penalty mandated by this ordinance includes imprisonment or placement upon conviction of a violation of this ordinance, and if an addiction evaluation has indicated that the defendant needs treatment, the court may order the defendant to undergo treatment at an appropriate licensed addiction treatment program and the time spent by the defendant in the treatment must be credited as a portion of a sentence of imprisonment or placement under this section. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-01)

9.2102 Prior Offenses

For purposes of this article and Article 9.22, a previous conviction does not include any prior violation of Section 9.2101 if the offense occurred prior to July 1, 1981. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-01.1)

9.2103 Reckless Driving - Penalty

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any person is guilty of reckless driving if the person drives a vehicle:

1. Recklessly in disregard of the rights or safety of others; or

2. Without due caution and circumspection and at a speed or in a manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or the property of another.

Except as otherwise herein provided, any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offense.

9.2104 Accidents Involving Damage to Vehicle - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-05 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting only in damage to a vehicle which is driven or attended by any person shall immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of such accident or as close thereto as possible but shall forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of such accident until the driver has fulfilled the requirements of Section 39-08-06 of the North Dakota Century Code. Every such stop must be made without obstructing traffic more than is necessary. Any person failing to stop or comply with said requirements under such circumstances is guilty of an offense.

9.2105 Duty Upon Striking Unattended Vehicle - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-07 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of any vehicle which collides with any vehicle which is unattended shall immediately stop and shall then and there either locate and notify the operator or owner of the vehicle of the name and address, as well as the name of the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier, of the driver and owner of the vehicle striking the unattended vehicle or shall leave in a conspicuous place in the vehicle struck a written notice giving the name and address, as well as the name of the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier, of the driver and of the owner of the vehicle doing the striking and a statement of the circumstances of the collision. Any person violating this section is guilty of an offense.

9.2106 Duty Upon Striking Fixtures Upon a Highway

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting only in damage to fixtures or other property legally upon or adjacent to a highway shall take reasonable steps to locate and notify the owner or person in charge of such property of such fact and of the driver’s name and address and of the registration number of the vehicle the driver is driving and shall upon request and if available exhibit his operator’s or chauffeur’s license and shall make report of such accident when and as required in Section 9.0309.

9.2107 Penalty for Driving While License Suspended or Revoked - Impoundment of Vehicle Number Plates - Authority of City

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06-42 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. Except as provided in Section 39-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, any person who drives a motor vehicle on a highway or on public or private areas to which the public has a right of access for vehicular use in this state while that person’s license or privilege so to do is suspended or revoked is guilty of a class B misdemeanor for the first, second or third offense within a five-year period. Any subsequent offense within the same five-year period is a class A misdemeanor.

2. If a suspension or revocation was imposed for violation of Section 39-08-01 of the North Dakota Century Code or equivalent ordinance or was governed by Section 39-06-31 or Chapter 39-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, the sentence must be at least four (4) consecutive days’ imprisonment and such fine as the court deems proper. The execution of sentence may not be suspended or the imposition of sentence deferred under Subsection 3 or 4 of Section 12.1-32-02 of the North Dakota Century Code. Forfeiture of bail is not permitted in lieu of the defendant’s personal appearance in open court for arraignment on a charge under this subsection.

3. In addition to any other punishment imposed, the court may order the number plates of the motor vehicle owned and operated by the offender at the time of the offense to be impounded by law enforcement officers for the duration of the period of suspension or revocation. When a period of suspension has been extended under Subsection 5 of Section 39-06-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, the court may order the number plates to be impounded in accordance with this subsection. The impounded number plates may be released, upon order of the court, to a bona fide purchaser of the offender’s motor vehicle, if that purchaser produces a new certificate of title to the motor vehicle issued by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

4. The municipal judge may order impoundment of motor vehicle number plates in the manner provided in Subsection 3.

9.2108 Operation of Snowmobiles

1. Definitions:

For the purpose of this article, the following definitions are hereby adopted:

1. “Operate” means to ride in or on and control the operation of a snowmobile.

2. “Operator” means every person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile.

3. “Person” includes an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, the state and its departments, agencies and political subdivisions and any body of persons, whether incorporated or not.

4. “Roadway” means that portion of a highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.

5. “Snowmobile” means a self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow, ice or a natural terrain and steered by skis or runners. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-24-01)

9.2109 Rules for Operation of Snowmobiles

1. No person may operate a snowmobile upon the roadway, shoulder or inside bank or slope of any road, street or highway in this City except as provided pursuant to this article. No snowmobile shall be operated at any time within the right of way of any interstate highway except for emergency purposes.

2. A snowmobile may make a direct crossing of a street or highway provided:

a. The crossing is made at an angle of approximately ninety (90) degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;

b. The snowmobile is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or main traveled way of the highway;

c. The driver yields the right of way to all oncoming traffic which constitutes an immediate hazard; and

d. In crossing a divided highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such highway with another public street or highway.

3. No snowmobile may be operated unless it is equipped with at least one (1) headlamp, one tail lamp and brakes, all in working order, which conform to standards prescribed by rule of the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

4. The emergency conditions under which a snowmobile may be operated other than as provided by this article shall be such as to render the use of an automobile impractical under such conditions at such period of time and location.

5. It is unlawful for any person to drive or operate any snowmobile in the following ways which are declared to be unsafe and a public nuisance:

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

b. In a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger the person or property of another or to cause injury or damage to such person or property.

c. While under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a drug as defined in Section 39-24.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, or a combination thereof.

d. Without a lighted headlamp and tail lamp when required for safety.

e. In any tree nursery or planting in a manner which damages or destroys growing stock.

f. Without a manufacturer-installed or equivalent muffler in good working order and connected to the snowmobile exhaust system.

g. Upon any private land when the private land is posted by the owner or tenant prohibiting trespassing. The name of the person posting the land must appear on each sign in legible characters. The posted signs shall be readable from the outside of the land and shall be placed conspicuously at a distance of not more than eight hundred eighty (880) yards (804.68 meters) apart, provided further that as to land entirely enclosed by a fence or other enclosure, posting of signs at or on all gates through the fence or enclosure constitutes posting of all the enclosed lands.

6. It is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile pursuant to Chapter 39-24 of the North Dakota Century Code without having in possession a valid driver’s license or permit, except as provided by section 39-24-09.1 of the North Dakota Century Code.

7. When snowmobiles are operated within the right of way of any road, street or highway of this state pursuant to this chapter, during times or conditions that warrant the use of lights, such snowmobiles shall travel in the same direction as the direction of motor vehicles traveling on the side of the roadway immediately adjacent to the side of the right of way traveled by the snowmobile.

8. It is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile within a highway right of way as defined in subsection 37 of section 24-01-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code between April 1 and November 1 of any year.

9. No snowmobile may be operated at any time within the right of way of any highway within this state while towing a sled, skid or other vehicle, unless the sled, skid or other vehicle is connected to the snowmobile by a hinged swivel and secure hitch.

10. No person under the age of eighteen years may operate, ride or otherwise be propelled on a snowmobile unless the person wears a safety helmet meeting United States department of transportation standards.

9.2110 Operation of Motor Vehicle, Tractor or Other Vehicle Prohibited on Flood Protective Works - Exception - Penalty

1. Unless authorized by the authority in charge thereof, no person shall operate a motor vehicle, tractor or other vehicle upon or across any flood protective works, including but not limited to, any dike or flood protective works constructed by a state or federal agency or by any municipality or local subdivision of the state.

2. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be liable to any person suffering injury as a result of the violation; and in addition, shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-65)

9.2111 Driving Without a License

A person may not drive any motor vehicle upon a highway in this City unless such person has a valid license as an operator, or is expressly exempted from licensing requirements, by the laws of this state.

9.2112 License to be Carried and Exhibited on Demand

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06-16 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

A licensee shall have the licensee’s operator’s license or permit in the licensee’s immediate possession at all times when operating a motor vehicle and shall display the same, upon demand of any district court, municipal court, a patrolman, peace officer or a field deputy or inspector of the North Dakota Department of Transportation. However, a person charged with violating this section may not be convicted or assessed any court costs if the person produces in court, to the chief of police or in the office of the arresting officer an operator’s license or permit theretofore issued to that person and valid and not under suspension, revocation or cancellation at the time of the person’s arrest.

9.2113 Penalty

Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance for which a specific penalty is not provided may be assessed a fee of up to one hundred dollars.

ARTICLE 22 - Disposition of Traffic Offenses

9.2201 Halting Person for Violating Traffic Regulations - Duty of Officer Halting

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-07 and all subsequent amendment are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Whenever any person is halted for the violation of any of the provisions of North Dakota Century Code Chapters 39-01 through 39-13, 39-18, 39-21 and 39-24, or of equivalent City ordinances, the officer halting that person, except as otherwise provided in sections 39-07-09, 39-20-03.1 or 39-02-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, may:

1. Take the name and address of the person;

2. Take the license number of the person’s motor vehicle; and

3. Issue a summons or otherwise notify that person in writing to appear at a time and place to be specified in the summons or notice.

A halting officer may not take a person into custody or require that person to proceed with the officer to any other location for the purpose of posting bond, where the traffic violation was a non-criminal offense under Section 39-06.1-02. The officer shall provide the person with an envelope for use in mailing the bond.

9.2202 Hearing - Time - Promise of Defendant to Appear - Failure to Appear - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The time to be specified in the summons or notice provided for in Section 9.2201 must be within thirty-five (35) days after the issuance of the summons or notice or earlier if so ordered by the municipal judge or if the person halted demands an earlier hearing. If the person halted desires, the person may have the right, at a convenient hour, to an immediate hearing or to a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours. The hearing must be before the municipal court. Upon the receipt from the person halted of a written promise to appear at the time and place mentioned in the summons or notice, the officer shall release the person from custody. Any person refusing to give a written promise to appear must be taken immediately by the halting officer before the nearest or most accessible magistrate, or to such other place or before such other person as may be provided by a statute or ordinance authorizing the giving of bail. Any person willfully violating the person’s written promise to appear is guilty of an offense, regardless of the disposition of the charge upon which the person originally was halted. The time limitations for a hearing as provided by this section do not preclude a recharging of the alleged violation if the person being charged receives a new summons or notice subject to the provisions of this section.

9.2203 Offenses Under Which Person Halted May Not be Entitled to Release Upon Promise to Appear

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The provisions of Section 9.2201 do not apply to a person if:

1. The halting officer has good reason to believe the person guilty of any felony or if the person is halted and charged with any of the offenses listed in Section 39-06.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, but not listed in subsection 2; or

2. The halting officer, acting within the officer’s discretion, determines that it is inadvisable to release that person upon a promise to appear and if the person has been halted and charged with any of the following offenses

a. Reckless driving.

b. Driving in excess of speed limitations established by the state or by local authorities in their respective jurisdictions.

c. Driving while license or driving privilege is suspended or revoked for violation of section 39-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code, or an equivalent ordinance.

d. Operating a modified vehicle.

e. Driving without liability insurance in violation of section 39-08-20of the North Dakota Century Code.

f. Failing to display a placard or flag, in violation of any rule implementing section 39-21-44 of the North Dakota Century Code, while transporting explosive or hazardous materials.

g. Operating an unsafe vehicle in violation of subsection 2 of section 39-21-46 of the North Dakota Century Code

The halting officer forthwith shall take any person not released upon a promise to appear before

the nearest or most accessible magistrate.

9.2204 Traffic Violations Noncriminal – Exceptions – Procedures

Any person cited, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 9.2201 and 9.2202 of these ordinances, other than an offense listed in Section 39-06.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, is deemed to be charged with a non-criminal offense. The person may appear before the designated official and pay the statutory fee for the violation charged at or before the time scheduled for a hearing. If the person has posted bond in person or by mail, the person may forfeit bond by not appearing at the designated time. If the person appears at the time scheduled in the citation, the person may make a statement in explanation of the person’s action, and the official may at that time waive, reduce or suspend the statutory fee or bond, or both. If the person cited follows the foregoing procedures, the person is deemed to have admitted the violation and to have waived his right to a hearing on the issue of commission of the violation. The bond required to secure appearance before the official designated in the citation must be identical to the statutory fee established by Section 39-06.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code. Within ten (10) days after forfeiture of bond or payment of the statutory fee, the official having jurisdiction over the violation shall certify to the licensing authority:

1. Admission of the violation; and

2. In speeding violations, whether the speed charged was in excess of the lawful speed limit by more than nine (9) miles (14.8 kilometers) per hour and the miles (kilometers) per hour by which the speed limit was exceeded.

This section shall not be construed as allowing a halting officer to receive the statutory fee or bond, unless he is otherwise authorized by law to do so. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-02)

9.2205 Administrative Hearing - Procedures - Appeals - Stay Orders

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. A person cited for a traffic violation, other than an offense listed in section 39-06.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, who does not follow one of the procedures set forth in section 39-06.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, may request a hearing on the issue of commission of the violation charged. The hearing must be held at the time scheduled in the citation, or at the time scheduled in response to the person’s request or at some future time, not to exceed ninety (90) days later, set at that first appearance.

2. At the time of a request for a hearing on the issue of commission of the violation, the person charged shall deposit with the official having jurisdiction an appearance bond equal to the statutory fee for the violation charged.

3. If a person cited for a traffic violation, other than an offense listed in Section 39-06.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, has requested a hearing on the issue of the commission of the violation charged and appears at the time scheduled for the hearing, and the state or City, as the case may be, does not appear or is not ready to prove the commission of a charged violation at the hearing, the official shall dismiss the charge.

4. If the official finds that the person had committed the traffic violation, the official shall notify the licensing authority of that fact, and whether the person was driving more than nine (9) miles per hour in excess of the lawful limit, stating specifically the miles (kilometers) per hour in excess of the lawful limit, if charged with a speeding violation, within ten (10) days of the date of the hearing. The fact that a person has admitted a violation, or has, in any proceeding, been found to have committed a violation, may not be referred to in nay way, nor be admissible as evidence in any court, civil, equity or criminal, except in an action or proceeding involving that person’s driving license or privilege.

5. a. If a person is aggrieved by a finding that he committed the violation, the person may, without payment of a filing fee, appeal that finding to the district court for trial anew. If, after trial in the appellate court, the person is again found to have committed the violation, there shall be no further appeal. Notice of appeal under this subsection must be given within thirty (30) days after a finding of commission of a violation is entered by the official. Oral notice of appeal may be given to the official at the time that the official adjudges that a violation has been committed. Otherwise, notice of appeal shall be in writing and filed with the official, and a copy of the notice must be served upon the prosecuting attorney. An appeal taken under this subsection may not operate to stay the reporting requirement of subsection 4, nor to stay appropriate action by the licensing authority upon receipt of that report.

b. The appellate court upon application by the appellant may:

i. Order a stay of any action by the licensing authority during pendency of the appeal, but not to exceed a period of one hundred twenty (120) days;

ii. Order a stay and that the appellant be issued a temporary restricted driving certificate by the licensing authority to be effective for no more than one hundred twenty (120) days; or

iii. Deny the application.

An application for a stay or temporary certificate under this subdivision must be accompanied by a certified copy of the appellant’s driving record, for the furnishing of which the licensing authority may charge a fee of three dollars ($3.00). Any order granting a stay or a temporary certificate must be forwarded forthwith by the Clerk of Court to the licensing authority, which shall issue a temporary certificate in accordance with the order in the manner provided by law. A court may not make a determination on an application under this subdivision without notice to the appropriate prosecuting attorney. A person who violates or exceeds the restrictions contained in any temporary restricted driving certificate issued pursuant to this subdivision is guilty of a traffic violation and must be assessed a fee of twenty dollars ($20.00).

c. If the person charged is found not to have committed the violation by the appellate court, the clerk of court shall report that fact to the licensing authority immediately. If an appeal under this subsection is from a violation of a City ordinance, the city attorney shall prosecute the appeal. In all other cases, the appropriate state’s attorney shall prosecute the appeal.

6. The state or the City, as the case may be, must prove the commission of a charged violation at the hearing or appeal under this section by a fair preponderances of the evidence. Upon an appeal under subsection 5, the court and parties shall follow, to the extent applicable, the North Dakota rules of Civil Procedure. If on the appeal from the finding of the official the finding is affirmed, costs may be assessed at the discretion of the trial judge.

7. As used in Sections 39-06.1-02, 39-06.1-03 and 39.06.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, the word “official” means a municipal judge or a magistrate or other qualified person appointed by the presiding judge of the judicial district, to serve as such official for all or a specified part of the judicial district.

9.2206 Failure to Appear, Pay Statutory Fee, Post Bond - Procedure - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-04 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

If a person fails to choose one of the methods of proceeding set forth in Sections 9.2204 or 9.2205, the person must be deemed to have admitted to commission of the violation charged, and the official having jurisdiction shall report such fact to the licensing authority within ten (10) days after the date set for the hearing. Failure to appear at the time designated, after signing a promise to appear, without paying the statutory fee or posting and forfeiting bond is a class B misdemeanor. Failure to appear without just cause at the hearing must also be deemed an admission of commission of the violation charged.

9.2207 Offenses Excepted

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-05 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The procedures authorized under Sections 39-06.1-02 and 39.06.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code may not be utilized by a person charged with one of the following offenses:

1. Driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle in violation of Section 9.2101.

2. Reckless driving or aggravated reckless driving in violation of Section 9.2103.

3. A violation of Chapter 12.1-16 of the North Dakota Century Code resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle.

4. Leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Sections 39-08-04, 39-08-05, 39-08-07, 39-08-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, or equivalent ordinances.

5. Driving while license or driving privilege is suspended or revoked in violation of Section 39-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code, or an equivalent ordinance.

6. Violating subdivisions b and c of subsection 5 of Section 39-24-09 of the North Dakota Century Code.

7. Operating a modified motor vehicle in violation of Section 39-21-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code.

8. Driving without liability insurance in violation of Section 39-08-20 of the North Dakota Century Code.

9. Operating an unsafe vehicle in violation of subsection 1 of section 39-21-46 of the North Dakota Century Code.

10. Causing an accident with an authorized emergency vehicle in violation of subsection 2 of section 39-21-46 of the North Dakota Century Code.

9.2208 Amount of Statutory Fees

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The fees required for a criminal disposition pursuant to either Section 9.2204 or Section 9.2205 shall be as follows:

1. For a nonmoving violation as defined in Section 9.2209, a fee of any amount not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00).

2. For a moving violation as defined in Section 9.2210, a fee of twenty dollars ($20.00), except no fee may be imposed for a violation of Section 9.1702.

3. For a violation of Section 9.0502 a fee established as follows:

Miles Per Hour Over

Lawful Speed Limit Fee

1 - 5 $ 5.00

6 - 10 $ 5.00 plus $1/each mph over 5 mph over limit

11 - 15 $ 10.00 plus $1/each mph over 10 mph over limit

16 - 20 $ 15.00 plus $2/each mph over 15 mph over limit

21 - 25 $ 25.00 plus $3/each mph over 20 mph over limit

26 - 35 $ 40.00 plus $3/each mph over 25 mph over limit

36 - 45 $ 70.00 plus $3/each mph over 35 mph over limit

46 + $100.00 plus $5/each mph over 45 mph over limit

4. For a violation of Section 9.0501, or an ordinance defining careless driving, a fee of thirty dollars ($30.00).

5. For a violation of Section 9.0509, or an ordinance defining care required in driving, a fee of not less than ten dollars ($10.00) nor more than thirty dollars ($30.00).

6. For a violation of Section 9.1703, a fee not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00).

9.2209 “Nonmoving Violation” Defined

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-06.1-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

For the purpose of 9.2208, a “nonmoving violation” means a violation of Sections 9.0924, 9.0932, 9.0933 or the provisions of Article 13, Article 14, Article 15 or Article 16 of this Chapter.

9.2210 “Moving Violation” Defined

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39.06.1-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

For the purpose of 9.2208, a “moving violation” means a violation of Article 5, Article 6, Article 9, Article 11, Article 17, Article 18, Article 19 or Article 21 of this Chapter, except those sections for which a specific penalty is provided and those sections which are specifically listed in Section 9.2209.

9.2211 General Penalty for Violation of Chapter

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this Chapter for which another criminal penalty is not provided specifically is guilty of an infraction as defined in section 12.1-32-01 of the North Dakota Century Code. As used in this section, the phrase “another criminal penalty” includes provision for payment of a fixed fee for violating another section of this chapter but does not include other administrative sanctions which may be imposed.

9.2212 Notification of Parents or Guardians of Juvenile Traffic Offenders

The municipal judge or municipal court clerk shall notify the parent or guardian of any juvenile appearing before the court on a traffic offense of the charge as contained in the citation, the penalty attached to the offense and the time and place of any court hearing on the matter.

ARTICLE 23 - Sections not Adopted

The sections of Title 39 of the North Dakota Century Code not expressly adopted in Article 1 through Article 22 of this Chapter, inclusive, are not adopted by reference.

ARTICLE 24 - Filing of Ordinance

Incident to the adoption of certain portions of Title 39 of the North Dakota Century Code by reference, a copy of the text of the adopted code shall be filed in the office of the city auditor as required by North Dakota Century Code section 40-05-01(1) for use and examination by the public.

ARTICLE 25 - Adoption of Amendments by Reference

The adoption of certain portions of Title 39 by reference shall be construed to incorporate such amendments as may be made therein from time to time, and such copy of the adopted portions to Title 39 filed as required in Article 24 of this Chapter shall at all times be kept current in the office of the city auditor of this City.

ARTICLE 26 - Severability Clause

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person, or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

ARTICLE 27 - Penalties

Any person who is convicted of violating or of failing to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance may be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or by imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both.