

ORDINANCE NO. 029, 2019
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
AMENDING SECTIONS 1410 AND 2106 OF THE FORT COLLINS
TRAFFIC CODE TO ALLOW FOR SIGNAGE DESIGNATING AN AREA IN
THE CITY AS A "DISMOUNT ZONE" FOR ANY FORM OF CONVEYANCE

WHEREAS, technology continues to create emerging forms of conveyances that have a direct impact on City sidewalks, streets, roadways and other infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City must balance the interest of users of these new conveyances with the safe and efficient use of City sidewalks, streets, roadways and other infrastructure by pedestrians and existing conveyances and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, some forms of conveyances, including but not limited to electric scooters, may be utilized in areas of the City that are designed to be used solely by pedestrians and the use of conveyances in these areas may pose an immediate safety hazard to pedestrians in the area; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City interest of public health and safety to allow for the posting of signs to designate a dismount zone where all forms of conveyance, as that term is defined herein, are prohibited.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That Section 1410 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

1410. - Use of highways for traveling on snowmobiles, skis, toboggans, coasting sleds, skates or similar devices.

(5) Where a sign is posted and designated as a dismount zone, no person using or riding any conveyance such as skates, in-line skates, skateboards, coasters, scooters, toy vehicles or similar devices, whether human- or motor-powered, on any sidewalk, path, trail, crosswalk, plaza area, public parking area, public right-of-way, or any other public way or place, shall use or ride such conveyance in the manner designed. Within the dismount zone, the rider or user of such conveyance must dismount the conveyance.

(a) A person riding or walking a conveyance as described in 1410(5) shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances, including but not limited to the rights and duties granted and required by Section 802.

- (b) For purposes of this Section, conveyance shall not include a stroller, wheelchair, or any device designed to assist mobility-impaired people.

Section 3. That Section 2106 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins is hereby amended to read as follows:

2106. - Sidewalks and trails.

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- (2) (a) A person riding a bicycle, electrical assisted bicycle or shared mobility device, as that term is defined in City Code Section 24-178, upon and along a sidewalk or pathway or across a roadway upon and along a crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing such pedestrian. A person riding a bicycle in a crosswalk shall do so in a manner that is safe for pedestrians.
- (b) A person shall not ride a bicycle, electrical assisted bicycle or shared mobility device upon and along a sidewalk or across a roadway upon and along a crosswalk where such use of bicycles or electrical assisted bicycles is prohibited by official traffic control devices, signs designating a dismount zone, or local ordinances. A person riding a bicycle or electrical assisted bicycle shall dismount before entering any crosswalk where required by official traffic control devices or ordinance. A person riding a shared mobility device or toy vehicle shall dismount before entering any crosswalk.

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Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 19th day of February, A.D. 2019, and to be presented for final passage on the 19th day of March, A.D. 2019.

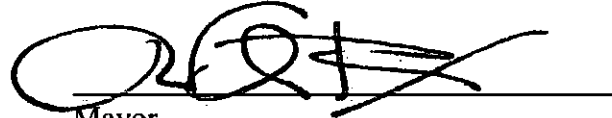

Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk



Passed and adopted on final reading on the 19th day of March, A.D. 2019.



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