

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

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April 27, 2026

City of Bellbrook State of Ohio

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AMENDING PART FOUR – TRAFFIC CODE, TITLE FOUR – PUBLIC WAYS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, CHAPTER 412 – OBSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL USES OF PUBLIC WAYS TO CREATE A NEW SECTION 412.05 – LOW SPEED MICROMOBILITY DEVICES OF THE BELLBROOK CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the City of Bellbrook has adopted Part Four, Title Four, Chapter 412 of the Bellbrook Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, City Council has identified a need to address the safety of devices operated for personal use on the streets and sidewalks of the City; and

WHEREAS the City Council wishes to create a new section to regulate Low Speed Micromobility Devices on the public ways of the City within Chapter 412 of Title Four, Part Four.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLBROOK HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the following amendments to Part Four, Title Four, Chapter 412 of the Bellbrook Code of Ordinances be approved with the addition of Section 412.05 – Low Speed Micromobility Devices added in its entirety as follows:

Sec. 412.05. – Low Speed Micromobility Devices

- (a) A low-speed micromobility device may be operated on the public streets, highways, sidewalks, and shared-use paths, and may be operated on any portions of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles in accordance with this section.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, those sections of this title that by their nature could apply to a low-speed micromobility device do apply to the device and the person operating it whenever it is operated upon any public street, highway, sidewalk, or shared-use path, or upon any portion of a roadway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.
- (c) No operator of a low-speed micromobility device shall do any of the following:
 - (1) Fail to yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians at all times;
 - (2) Fail to give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a pedestrian;
 - (3) Operate the device at night unless the device or its operator is equipped with or wearing both of the following:
 - i. A lamp pointing to the front that emits a white light visible from a distance of not less than 500 feet;
 - ii. A red reflector facing the rear that is visible from all distances from 100 feet to 600 feet when directly in front of lawful lower beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle.

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- (d) No person shall operate a low-speed micromobility device at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour.
- (e) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including, but not limited to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

PASSED BY City Council this 27th day of April, 2026.

___ Yeas; ___ Nays.

AUTHENTICATION:

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