

Memorandum



Date: May 28, 2026
To: Tony McGhee, City Manager
From: Harvey Burnett, Chief of Police
Subject: Revision to Bicycle Ordinance (Chapter 98, Article VI)

Background

There has been an increase in the use of electronic bicycles and other motorized and nonmotorized coaster toys throughout the city, especially in the downtown area. Unfortunately, this increases the risk of harm to pedestrian traffic on sidewalks, as well as to vehicular traffic in the roadway. The current Bicycle ordinance is obsolete and does not address such devices that are in use.

Recommendation

The Bicycle Ordinance (Chapter 98, Article VI) has been revised and vetted with the City's legal team. Therefore, I would like to recommend that this amended ordinance be brought to the Commission for adoption.