



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

DATE OF MEETING: June 10, 2024

ITEM TITLE: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa, by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Golf Carts – Definitions – First Reading

BACKGROUND:

This item was discussed at the June 3rd City Council Work Session.

DISCUSSION:

As discussed at the Work Session, this modification of the Ordinance would only add the words “three or” to the definition to allow three-wheel golf carts to fit within the City of Independence's already approved definition and rules.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of Engaging and Catalyzing Community. This item helps achieve that vision by completing a request that came from a resident to allow three-wheel golf carts to be used in the same manner as four-wheel golf carts.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Publication costs related to the ordinance summary will be incurred, and then costs to Simmering-Cory Iowa Codification when the next code supplement is completed.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to approve the first reading of an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to Golf Carts—Definitions.

Staff recommends a motion to suspend the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed.

Staff recommends a motion to have this ordinance, which amends provisions pertaining to Golf Carts – Definitions, placed on its final passage for adoption pursuant to Iowa Code Section 380.3 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Ordinance. The changes will be effective upon the ordinance summary being published in the newspapers.