



Request for Town Council Action

Date: July 17, 2023

Submitted By: Jamie Wynn, Deputy Town Attorney
Tom Williams, Director Eng/PW
Jim Tsurapas, Chief of Police

Reviewed By: Michelle Kivela, Town Manager

Title: **ORDINANCE NO. 5.06.42.2 - Second Reading**
A Bill for an Ordinance to Amend Section 7.03.020 of the Parker Municipal Code Concerning Restrictions on Use of Certain Vehicles
Department: Town Attorney's Office, Jamie Wynn
Police, Jim Tsurapas
Engineering and Public Works, Tom Williams

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On April 10, 2023, staff appeared before Town Council at a study session based on a citizen inquiry regarding the use of golf cars on Town roadways. As a result of this discussion, Town Council directed staff to draft a proposed ordinance regarding the operation of golf cars on public Town roadways. Staff returned to Town Council at a study session on May 22, 2023, with a draft of a proposed ordinance, as well as potential changes to two current ordinances, to ensure the current language was consistent with any potential changes if a new ordinance is adopted and added to the Municipal Code. These also relate to the use of golf cars on Town roadways and include necessary updates to the current ordinances based on some recognized deficiencies with the current ordinances.

The updates to Section 7.03.020 are being made to accurately reflect the needs of the Town, to clarify information related to the permitting process for the use of certain motorized vehicles, and to reflect the limited use of golf cars with respect to certain holes at Black Bear Golf Course.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Town's Municipal Code has not generally allowed the use of golf carts or off-highway vehicles, such as ATVs, on Town roadways, trails or sidewalks. Homeowners'/business owners' associations and metropolitan/special districts utilize these vehicles for maintenance activities, such as landscaping and snow removal. Without authorization to utilize Town sidewalks, trails and at-grade crossings, it can be difficult for those maintenance activities to occur. Colorado state statute allows the Town to authorize and regulate the operation of golf carts and "off-highway vehicles" on its roadways. The Town Municipal Code identifies the exceptions where

use, pursuant to a valid permit, is allowed. Though the Town Council is currently considering a potential ordinance to add an exception allowing golf cars with required equipment and permits to be used on the Town's roadways, regardless of whether that ordinance is adopted, the Town has recognized the need for certain additions and clarifications to Section 7.03.020.

Specifically, the proposed ordinance will amend Section 7.03.020 of the Municipal Code to clarify certain uses of golf cars or other motorized vehicles necessary for the Town to perform work, as well as clarifying information related to the issuance of permits necessary for authorized uses for non-Town entities.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Staff time and expenses related to the inspection and permitting process and costs of materials for the issuance of permits may be offset, in part, by fees charged for the inspection and permitting process.

STRATEGIC GOAL(S)



DEVELOP A VISIONARY
COMMUNITY THROUGH
BALANCED GROWTH

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance No. 5.06.42.2

RECOMMENDED MOTION

I move to approve Ordinance No. 5.06.42.2 on second reading.