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*3 yes
3 no
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BILL NO: 107

ORDINANCE: 2015-107

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON, MISSOURI, REPEALING ARTICLE VI AND ENACTING A NEW ARTICLE VI PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF UTILITY VEHICLES AND GOLF CARTS.

Be it ordained that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Houston, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION 1.

ARTICLE VI-ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES, of the code of ordinances of the City of Houston, Missouri, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2.

A new Article VI pertaining to Utility Vehicles and Golf Carts is hereby enacted as follows:

Section 21-236. Definitions.

“Utility Vehicle” – Any motorized vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway use which is more than fifty inches but no more than sixty-seven inches in width, with an un-laden dry weight of two thousand pounds or less, traveling on four or six wheels, to be used primarily for landscaping, lawn care, or maintenance purposes.

“Golf Cart” – A motor vehicle that is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of twenty miles per hour.

Section 21-237. Prohibited on city streets – exceptions.

No person shall operate a utility vehicle or golf cart upon the streets of this city, except as follows:

1. Utility vehicles or golf carts must carry a special permit issued by this city. The Chief of Police shall prepare an application form for the special permit and charge a fee of \$15.00 for each permit. Permits shall expire on December 31 of the calendar year in which they are issued. The Chief of Police shall also issue a decal which shall be securely fastened to the utility vehicle or golf cart on the left rear of the vehicle or cart and clearly visible.
2. Utility vehicles or golf carts owned by a government entity for official use.

Section 21-238. Prohibited in streams – exceptions.

No person shall operate an off-road vehicle within any stream or river in this city, except that off-road vehicles may be operated within waterways that flow within the boundaries of land that an off-road vehicle operator owns or has permission to be upon.

Section 21-249. Penalty.

Any person violating this ordinance may be fined an amount not to exceed \$500.00.

SECTION 3.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF
HOUSTON, MISSOURI, THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2015.

Donald Tottingham
Mayor of Houston, Missouri

Attest:

Tonya Foster - City Clerk