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Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 9-12 by adding new Section 045 establishing shared street pilot program

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Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL MAYOR

June 22, 2016

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of the Commissioner of Transportation, I transmit herewith an ordinance amending Chapter 9-12 of the Municipal Code regarding a shared street pilot program.

Your favorable consideration of this ordinance will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Mayor

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 9-12 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding a new Section 9-12-045, as follows:

9-12-045 Shared street pilot program.

(a) *Definitions*. For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

"Shared street pilot program" means the shared street pilot program established pursuant to this Section.

"Shared street" means a public right of way which can be shared at the same time by pedestrians, bicyclists, motor vehicles and other legal conveyances, and where pedestrians have the right of way over all other traffic.

(b) Authorization. The commissioner is authorized to establish a shared street pilot program on the following roadway:

Street	Segment		Coordinates	
	From	То	From	То
Argyle	Broadway	Sheridan	1200W	1000W

- (c) *Rules.* Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the following rules shall apply in a shared street:
 - (1) Pedestrians may enter, walk along or cross a shared street at any time or point. Nothing provided in this subsection shall relieve a pedestrian from the duty of exercising due care.
 - (2) Pedestrians entering or within a shared street shall have the right-of-way over vehicles, bicycles or other traffic. The operator of a vehicle shall stop and yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian within a shared street when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger.
 - (3) The operator of a vehicle or bicyclist approaching an intersection within a shared street shall yield the right of-way to a vehicle or bicycle which has entered the intersection from a different roadway.
 - (4) Subject to Section 9-24-020, when two vehicles or bicycles enter an intersection from different streets at approximately the same time, the operator of the vehicle or bicyclist on the left shall yield the right-of- way to the vehicle or bicyclist on the right.

- (d) Signs and markings. The commissioner is authorized to add or remove signs and markings, as needed, within or near a shared street in order to implement the shared street pilot program. All traffic-control signs and markings shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- (e) Expiration. This section shall expire and be repealed of its own accord, without further action by the City Council, on December 31, 2018. Upon such repeal, the commissioner shall remove and replace signs and markings as appropriate, and take such other action as needed, to return the affected area to its former status as a standard public right-of-way.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.