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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

LORI E. LIGHTFOOT MAYOR

July 20, 2022

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of the Commissioner of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, 1 transmit herewith an ordinance regarding the operation of personal delivery devices.

Your favorable consideration of this ordinance will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

ORDINANCE

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

SECTION 1. Section 9-4-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, and by deleting the language struck through, as follows:

9-4-010 Definitions.

Whenever the following words and phrases are used in Chapter 9-4 through 9-103, they shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section:

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

"Low-speed electric mobility device" means a device which: (i) has no operable pedals; (ii) is no more than 26 inches wide; (iii) weighs less than 100 pounds; and (iv) is powered by an electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion at a maximum speed of 15 miles per hour on a paved level surface: and (v) is intended for transporting one individual.

(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)

SECTION 2. Personal delivery devices.

a) Definitions.

"Personal delivery device" means an electric-powered device that is intended to transport property primarily on areas normally designated for pedestrians.

"Personal delivery device operator" means an individual who, through electronic communication, controls, or who monitors and has the ability to control, the movement of a personal delivery device. A "personal delivery device operator" does not include an individual who requests the services of a personal delivery device.

b) Personal delivery devices on the public way shall operate only:

1) after its personal delivery device operator has received a permit allowing their operation on the public way and within the geographic zones permitted by the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

- 2) on sidewalks and crosswalks.
- 3) in a manner that does not
- A) endanger the health, safety, or welfare of any user of the public way.
 - B) unreasonably interfere with the use of the public way by others.
- c) Personal delivery devices shall
 - (1) obey all traffic control devices.
 - (2) yield the right-of-way to all other users of the public way.

(3) not transport hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding by a

regulation issued under the Hazardous Material Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. Section 5101, et seq.

SECTION 3. Enforcement.

Violation of the requirements of Section 2 may result in impoundment of a personal delivery device from the public way and prosecution in a court or administrative adjudicative agency. Any permittee who violates this chapter or any rule promulgated hereunder shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$10,000.00 for each such violation. Each day that any violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 4.

a) Sections 1 and 2 of this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and approval.

b) Section 3 of this ordinance shall be in full force and effect 10 days following due passage and publication.

c) Sections 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall self-repeal on May 31, 2025.



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Amendment of Municipal Code Section 9-4-010 by modifying requirements for electric-powered personal delivery devices

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