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ORDINANCE 74 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Section 74.01: ADOPTION OF STATE LAW. The provisions of Minn. Stat. ' 84.81 through 84.928, relating to the operation, control and ownership of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles and recreational motor vehicles, are hereby adopted and made a part of this Ordinance as is fully set forth herein.

Section 74.02: DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this Ordinance, the term "off-road vehicles" shall mean "snowmobiles" as defined in Minn. Stat. ' 84.81, Subd. 3, "recreational motor vehicles" as defined in Minn. Stat. ' 84.90, Subd. 1(a), and "all-terrain vehicles" as defined in Minn. Stat. ' 84.92, Subd. 8.

Section 74.03: OPERATION ON SIDEWALK. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated on a public sidewalk within the City of St. Stephen except for the purpose of making a direct crossing of the sidewalk, to be made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the sidewalk after the operator shall bring the vehicle to a complete stop and yield to any pedestrian or bicycle traffic on the sidewalk.

Section 74.04: OPERATION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated on private property within the City of St. Stephen without the permission and consent of the owner of the property.

Section 74.05: OPERATION NEAR CHURCHES. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated within 100 yards of a church located within the City of St. Stephen at such time as services are being conducted.

Section 74.06: OPERATION IN CEMETERY. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated in any public or private cemetery located within the City of St. Stephen.

Section 74.07: SPEED LIMIT. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated within the City of St. Stephen at a speed in excess of 20 mph.

Section 74.08: HOURS OF OPERATION.

Subd. 1: Off-road vehicles shall not be operated on private property within the City of St. Stephen, except property owned by the operator, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m.

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Subd. 2: Off-road vehicles shall not be operated on any public streets, alleys or roadways within the City of St. Stephen between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., except for purposes of ingress from the city limits directly to the residence of the operator or for purposes of egress from the residence of the operator directly to the city limits.

Section 74.09: CARELESS OPERATION. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated in a careless, reckless or negligent manner so as to endanger persons or property or in a manner which demonstrates a reckless disregard for the rights or safety of people or property.

Section 74.10: OPERATION ON PUBLIC PROPERTY. Off-road vehicles shall not be operated on any public property within the City of St. Stephen, other than a public roadway as otherwise allowed by law, without the express written consent of the governing authority exercising control over the property or where the governing authority has clearly designated by posted signs an area of permitted operation.

Section 74.11: LICENSE REQUIREMENT. Operation of an off-road vehicle within the City of St. Stephen is limited to individuals who possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by the Minnesota Commissioner of Public Safety or a valid driver's license issued under the authority of another state, a valid snowmobile safety certificate issued by the Minnesota Commissioner of Natural Resources, or a valid all-terrain vehicle safety certificate issued by the Minnesota Commissioner of Natural Resources. Operation by others is prohibited.

Section 74.12: RULES OF THE ROAD. Any off-road vehicles operated on public streets or alleys within the City of St. Stephen shall proceed in single file and be operated in full compliance with the laws of Minn. Stat. Chapter 169, except for those provisions relating to vehicle equipment.

Section 74.13: VIOLATION. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor as defined by state law and punishable in accordance therewith.