

ORDINANCE # 19 -01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE
CITY OF WAUPUN ENTITLED "TRAFFIC CODE."

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAUPUN ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: Chapter Six of the Municipal Code of the City of Waupun entitled

"TRAFFIC CODE" is amended to create subsection 6.145 to provide as follows:

6.145 SCHOOL BUS WARNING LIGHTS.

(1) IN GENERAL.

(a) Pursuant to authority granted by Wis. Stat. § 349.21 and except as provided in Subsection (2) below, school bus operators shall use flashing red or flashing red and amber warning lights in residential and business districts when pupils or other authorized passengers are to be loaded or unloaded at any location where the bus is not stopped at a traffic signal, and where persons must cross the street or road before or after being loaded or unloaded.

(b) The operator of a school bus equipped with only flashing red warning lights shall actuate the warning lights at least one hundred (100) feet before stopping to load or unload pupils or other authorized passengers, and shall not extinguish the warning lights until loading or unloading is completed and persons who must cross the street or road are safely across. The operator of a school bus equipped with flashing red and amber warning lights shall actuate the flashing amber warning lights at least one hundred (100) feet before stopping to load or unload pupils or other authorized passengers, bring the bus to a stop, and then extinguish the flashing amber warning lights and actuate the flashing red warning lights; after loading or unloading is completed and persons who must cross the street or road are safely across, the operator shall extinguish the flashing red warning lights.

(c) The operator of a motor vehicle who approaches from the front or rear of any school bus which has stopped on a street or road when the bus is displaying flashing red warning lights shall stop the motor vehicle not less than twenty (20) feet from the bus and shall remain stopped until the operator extinguishes the flashing red warning lights. The operator of a school bus who approaches the front or rear of another school bus that has stopped and is

displaying red warning lights shall stop not less than twenty (20) feet from the other bus, display its red warning lights, and remain stopped with red warning lights actuated until the other operator extinguishes the flashing red warning lights.

(2) PROHIBITED USE. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 349.21(2) the use of flashing red warning lights by school bus operators is prohibited when pupils or other authorized passengers are loaded or unloaded directly from or onto the school grounds or that portion of the right-of-way between the roadway and the school grounds in a zone designated by "school" warning signs as provided in Wis. Stat. § 118.08(1) in which a street or highway borders the grounds of a school.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or portions of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are repealed.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on its passage and publication as provided by law.

Enacted this 26th day of February, 2019.


Julie J. Nickel
Mayor

ATTEST:


Angela J. Hull
City Clerk