

## ORDINANCE NUMBER 25-01

### 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, DO ORDAIN:

Section 1: Section 6.10 of the Waupun Municipal code entitled "Bicycles" is amended as follows:

A. Section 6.10(1)-(3) are repealed in their entirety, and recreated as follows:

(1) REGISTRATION AND LICENSING. Bicycles may be registered at the Waupun Police Department but registration is optional only. There shall be no fee for registering a bicycle with the Waupun Police Department.

(2) GENERAL REGULATION AND EQUIPMENT.

(a) No person shall operate a bicycle in the City without the consent of the registered owner.

(b) Every person propelling or riding a bicycle on a public roadway in the City shall be subject to the provision of all municipal ordinances and State laws applicable to the operator of any vehicle, except those provisions with reference to equipment of vehicle and except those provisions which by their nature would have no application to bicycle operation.

(c) No person may operate a bicycle on a highway, bicycle lane, bicycle way, or sidewalk in the City during hours of darkness, unless such bicycle is equipped with or the operator is wearing a lamp emitting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front of such bicycle. Such bicycle shall also be equipped with a red reflector that has a diameter of at least 2 inches of surface area on the rear so mounted and maintained as to be visible from all distances from 50 to 500 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to but not in lieu of the red reflector. Bicycle operators shall give hand signals for left turns, right turns, and stopping, shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on crosswalks, and shall make turns from the appropriate lane of traffic.

(d) Any type of siren on a bicycle is prohibited.

(e) Any person, regardless of age, may operate a bicycle on any public sidewalk, school playground or public park in the City, provided that the person does not

operate the bicycle in a reckless manner. For the purpose of enforcing this provision, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that any person operating a bicycle on any public sidewalk, school playground or public park at a speed of more than 10 miles per hour is operating the bicycle in a reckless manner.

(f) Every bicycle shall have an adequate brake maintained in good working condition at all times.

(g) Bicycles shall always be operated in a single file, and when operated on a street or highway shall be kept as close to the right-hand curb as possible, except when operating within a designated and marked bicycle lane.

(h) No more than one person shall ride a bicycle at one time, except on a special bicycle built for 2 or more people with seats and handlebars for each person, except that in addition to the operator, a bicycle otherwise designed to carry only the operator may be used to carry or transport a child seated in an auxiliary child's seat or trailer designed for attachment to a bicycle if the seat or trailer is securely attached to the bicycle according to the direction of the manufacturer of the seat or trailer.

(i) No person shall cling to or be towed by another vehicle or bicycle while riding on a public street or highway. No bicycle shall tow anything behind, such as a sled, another bicycle, trailer or person on skates, except that in addition to the operator a bicycle otherwise designed to carry only the operator may be used to carry or transport a child seated in an auxiliary child's seat or trailer designed for attachment to a bicycle if the seat or trailer is securely attached to the bicycle according to the directions of the manufacturer of the seat or trailer.

(j) A unicycle shall not be required to be equipped with a wheel brake or handle bars.

B. Sections 6.10(5) and (6) are repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this 25th day of March, 2025



Rohn W Bishop  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Angela J. Hull  
City Clerk/Treasurer

