ORDINANCE #680
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND MARQUETTE CITY CODE CHAPTER 46 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES; ARTICLE III. – PARKING, STOPPING AND STANDING; BY ADOPTING A NEW DIVISION 3 - REGULATION OF VEHICLES WITHIN CITY PARKS

Short Title:
This section shall be known as and may be cited as the “City of Marquette Park Traffic Ordinance.”

The City of Marquette Ordains:

SECTION 1. New Division 3 – Regulation of Vehicles Within City Parks is hereby adopted as follows:

Sec. 46-69 – Definitions.
   a) Vehicle. Any motorized vehicle, including, but not limited to, motorcycles, motor-driven bicycles, motor scooters, go-carts, automobiles and all other vehicles powered by other than muscular power.

Sec. 46-70 – Vehicular traffic in parks; regulation.
All persons in or on city parks shall follow all applicable vehicle laws. All applicable vehicle laws are enforceable within city parks. The following additional regulations shall also apply:
   a) The speed limit in city parks is fifteen (15) m.p.h. unless otherwise posted.
   b) Law enforcement officers and authorized park officials/personnel designated by the city shall direct traffic whenever needed within city parks in accordance with rules and regulations as may be set forth by the city.
   c) All persons shall carefully observe and obey all traffic signs indicating speed, direction, caution, stopping, or parking and all other signs posted for proper control and the safeguarding of life and property as determined by the city manager or designee.
   d) Any person driving, operating, controlling, or propelling any vehicle shall operate such vehicle only on designated paved or improved city park roads or driveways, except when otherwise directed by any law enforcement officer or authorized park personnel.
   e) No driver or operator of any vehicle shall obstruct traffic or park or stop on any road or driveway or portion of any road or driveway except at places designated for parking or stopping or in the event of any emergency beyond the control of the driver or operator. No person may leave any vehicle standing or parked after dark without lights clearly visible for at least two hundred (200) feet upon said vehicle, except in legally established parking areas.
   f) No person shall operate any vehicle, truck, commercial vehicle, or bus of any type on any restricted city park road without prior written approval from the city manager or designee. Trucks and buses used solely to transport persons to a city park may use non-restricted park roads and parking areas for ingress and egress in the same manner as provided for conventional passenger vehicles.
   g) Any person who rides, drives, or propels any bicycle, tricycle, motorcycle, scooter, or similar vehicle, whether motor-propelled or self-propelled, shall do so only on roads designated for vehicular traffic or other areas designated for that specific class of vehicle. The city manager or designee may grant an exception to accommodate loading and unloading activities.
   h) Any person who parks a vehicle shall do so only in areas or facilities designated for that particular type of vehicle, unless otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer or authorized park official/personnel to park in another area. Any vehicle parked in an unauthorized area may be towed away at the owner’s expense.
i) No person shall tow another vehicle or wheeled device on park roads except when the towed vehicle is a legally valid recreational vehicle, horse trailer, or trailer for small boats, or when necessary to remove a disabled vehicle.

j) No person shall change any parts, perform maintenance, wash, repair, or grease any vehicle in or on any city park without prior written approval from the city manager or designee.

k) No driver of a vehicle using gasoline or any other explosive mixture as a source of power shall at any time fail to use a muffler or other sound-deadening device.

l) No person shall enter or exit from any city park in any vehicle except at entrances or exits established for such purpose by the city.

Sec. 46-71 - Violations.
An individual in violation of this article may be responsible for either a city civil infraction – in accordance with Sections 46-66 and 46-67 of this Code – or for a state traffic citation.

Sec. 46-72 - 46-93 - Reserved.

SECTION 2. Publication. This ordinance shall take effect ten days after adoption, but not before publication.

Frederick J. Stonehouse, Mayor

Kris M. Hazeres, City Clerk

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