

ORDINANCE NO. 5507

AN ORDINANCE TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT TO OPERATE VEHICLES IN CARRYING OUT ITS OFFICIAL DUTIES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2.20 OF THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City has adopted numerous ordinance that regulate the locations where motor vehicles and human powered vehicles may be operated; and

WHEREAS, public safety often requires the Rapid City Police Department to operate motor vehicles or human powered vehicles in areas where such operation is otherwise prohibited; and

WHEREAS, the Rapid City Common Council deems it in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the community to insure that the Rapid City Police Department is able to carry out its official duties in the most effective and efficient manner possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Rapid City Common Council that Chapter 2.20 of the Rapid City Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new section thereto which shall read as follows:

2.20.040 Use of vehicles

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Rapid City Municipal Code, employees of the Rapid City Police Department are authorized to operate motor vehicles or human powered vehicles on any street, sidewalk or other public place for the purpose of carrying out official police department duties.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer

(SEAL)

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