

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROANOKE, ALABAMA, as follows:

Article 1.

SECTION 1. The owner, operator, driver or person in charge of any vehicle used, propelled or driven upon the Streets, Avenues, Alleys or Public Grounds of the City of Roanoke shall conform to and observe the following rules and regulations.

SECTION 2.

DEFINITIONS.

STREET - Every way set apart for public travel, except foot paths.

PRIVATE ROAD OR DRIVEWAY - Every road or driveway not open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicle travel.

ROADWAY - That portion of a street between the regular establish curb lines or that part devoted to vehicular traffic.

SIDEWALK - That portion of the street between the curb and adjacent property lines.

CURB - The extreme edge of lateral boundary of a roadway whether marked by curbing or not so marked.

INTERSECTION - That part of street where a street joins another at an angle, whether or not it crosses the other street, and shall include the full width of the street between the curb lines, extended, of the intersecting streets.

CROSSWALKS - That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation of curb and property lines at intersections, or any other portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface.

VEHICLE - Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street, excepting devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks, except that all sections of this ordinance concerning operation of vehicle or a ridden animal and they shall be deemed vehicles for the purpose of these sections.

AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES- Vehicles of the Fire Department, and such Police Vehicles and Ambulances as are designated or authorized by the Chief of Police.

PEDESTRIAN - Any person afoot.

OPERATOR- Any person who is in actual physical control of a vehicle.

TRAFFIC- Pedestrians, ridden animals, herded animals and vehicles while using any street for purpose of travel.

RIGHT-OF-WAY- The privilege of the immediate use of the street.

PARKING - The standing of a vehicle, whether attended or unattended upon a roadway, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading, or in obedience to traffic regulations or traffic signs or signals.

DOUBLE PARKING- The standing of a vehicle upon a street at the rear of another vehicle which is parked diagonally at the curb or the standing of a vehicle upon the street alongside and parallel to another vehicle which is parked parallel at the curb.

OFFICIAL TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS - All signs, markings or signals, not inconsistent with this ordinance, placed or erected by authority of the governing body or official having jurisdiction, for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning or regulating traffic.

THROUGH STREET - State Highway 37, West Point Street, Louina Street and Rock Mills Street.

BUSINESS SECTION - East and North Main from Trammell to Short, Peach-Tree from Main to Knight Avenue, West Point to Lamonte Avenue, Chestnut from Main to Maple Drive, Louina from Main to Short.

ARTICLE 2.

SECTION 3: POLICE TO DIRECT TRAFFIC. It shall be the duty of the Police Department of this City to enforce the provisions of the ordinance. Officers of the Police Department are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signal in conformance with the provisions of this ordinance, provided

that in the event of a fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, officers of the Police or Fire Department may direct traffic, as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4: POLICE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED TO ADOPT EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. The Police Department is hereby empowered to make and enforce regulations necessary to make effective the provisions of this ordinance and to make temporary regulations to cover emergencies or special conditions, provided any such regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 5: OBEDIENCE TO POLICE. It shall be unlawful for any person to refuse or fail to comply with any lawful order, signal or direction of a police officer.

SECTION 6: PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the operator of any vehicle owned by or used in the services of the United States Government, this State, County or City and it shall be unlawful for any such operator to violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, except as otherwise permitted in this ordinance.

SECTION 7: EXEMPTIONS TO AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES. The provisions of this ordinance regulating the movement, parking and standing of vehicles shall not apply to authorized emergency vehicles as defined in this ordinance while the operator of such vehicle is operating the same in an emergency in the necessary performance of public duties. This exemption shall not, however, protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequence of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

ARTICLE 3.

SECTION 8: TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS. The Governing Body shall by resolution determine and designate the character or type of all official traffic signs and signals, all such signs and signals to be uni-

form throughout the City, as far as is practicable, provided that all official traffic signs and signals, now erected and in operation are hereby designated official traffic signs and signals.

SECTION 9: Subject to this selection, the Chief of Police is hereby authorized, and as to those signs and signals required hereunder, it shall be his duty, to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained all official traffic signs and signals.

SECTION 10: OBEDIENCE TO TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS. It shall be unlawful for any person to disobey the instructions of any official sign or signal upon the streets placed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, unless otherwise directed by a police officer; and no provision of this ordinance for which signs are required shall be enforceable against an alleged violator, if, at the time and place of the alleged violation, the sign herein required is not in proper place and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person.

SECTION 11: INTERFERENCE WITH, OR UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS AND SIGNALS. It shall be unlawful for any person to wilfully deface, injure, move, obstruct or interfere with any official traffic sign or signal. It shall be unlawful for any person to place or maintain or to display upon or in view of any street any unofficial sign, signal or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles any official traffic sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic. Every such prohibited sign, signal or device is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and the Chief of Police is hereby empowered to remove same, or cause it to be removed without notice.

ARTICLE 4.

SECTION 12: PEDESTRIANS' RIGHTS AND RULES. It shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to go from one side of the street to the other except at regular crosswalks or at end of block or street intersection, and shall use the right half of cross walk when crossing said street.

SECTION 13: PEDESTRIANS' RIGHT OF WAY. The operator of any vehicle shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked cross walk or within any unmarked crosswalk at the end of a block, or entrance to alley, except at intersections where the movement of traffic is being regulated by police officers or traffic control signals. Whenever any vehicle has stopped at a crosswalk or intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross a roadway, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any other vehicle approaching from the rear to overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

SECTION 14: PEDESTRIANS' RIGHTS AND DUTIES AT CONTROLLED INTERSECTIONS. At intersections where traffic is controlled by traffic control signals or by police officer, a pedestrian shall yield the right of way to vehicles lawfully proceeding directly ahead on a "GO" signal and the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right of way to pedestrians crossing or those who have started to cross the street, at all times when a "STOP" signal has been given to vehicular traffic.

SECTION 15: BORADING OR ALIGHTING FROM VEHICLES. It shall be unlawful for any person to board or light from any vehicle while such vehicle is in motion.

ARTICLE 5.

SECTION 16: RAILROAD TRAINS NOT TO BLOCK STREET. It shall be unlawful for the directing officer or the operator of any railroad of or to operate the same in such manner as to prevent the use of any street for purposes of travel for a period of time longer than five minutes, except that this provision shall not apply to trains or cars in continuous motion. It shall be unlawful for any street railway, train or car to stop within an intersection or on a crosswalk for the purpose of receiving or discharging passengers.

SECTION 17: STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING. It shall be unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to stop, stand or park such vehicle in any of

the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal.

1. Within an intersection.
2. On a crosswalk.
3. Outside first line of cars parked next to the curb, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of any while actually engaged in loading or unloading.
4. Within Twenty-five (25) feet of the intersection of curb lines.
5. Within fifteen (15) feet of the driveway entrance to a Fire Station.
6. Within fifteen (15) feet of a Fire Hydrant.
7. In front of a private driveway.
8. On a sidewalk.
9. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.

SECTION 18: PARKING OF TRUCKS. All freight and stock trucks shall be parked in the City at such places only as have been marked and designated by the Chief of Police, and shall be parked parallel with the curb. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to light delivery trucks delivering goods from house to house and place to place which requires a stop or parking of but a few minutes to receive or deliver merchandise.

SECTION 18-A. PARKING OF TRUCKS PROHIBITED. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any truck or school bus to park a truck or school bus for more than thirty (30) minutes at one time or place on East and North Main Street, between Vaughn Street and Handley Avenue or on Louina Street between Short Street and Main Street or on Chestnut street between City Hall and Main Street.

SECTION 19: DESIGNATED BUS AND TAXICAB STANDS; The police Department is hereby authorized to establish bus and taxicab stands in such places as it shall consider to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to

the public and every such bus and taxicab stand shall be designated by appropriate signs. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle other than bus or taxicab to stand or park in any officially designated bus and taxicab stand except that he may temporarily stop in such stand for the purpose of and while actually engaged on loading or unloading passengers. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any bus or taxicab to stand or park upon any street in the business district at any place other than at a designated bus or taxicab stand, except that he may temporarily stop in accordance with other parking regulations at any place for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers.

SECTION 20: PARALLEL AND DIAGONAL PARKING. No vehicle shall be parked on any street except such vehicle be parked parallel to the curb, headed in the direction of traffic, with curbside wheels of the vehicle within twelve (12) inches of the curb, and no closer than (4) feet to any other vehicle front or rear, except upon those streets which have been designated, marked or signed for angle parking, vehicles shall be parked to the right at the angle to the curb indicated by such marks or signs.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 21: OPERATION OF VEHICLE. Upon all streets, except one-way streets the operator of a vehicle shall drive the same upon the right half of the street and as near as practicable to the right hand curb.

SECTION 22: OVERTAKING A VEHICLE. The operator of any vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass at a safe distance to the left thereof, but only when such left side is clearly visible and is free of oncoming traffic for a sufficient distance ahead to permit such overtaking and passing to be made in safety, and shall not cut in front of the overtaken vehicle until safely clear of same.

SECTION 23: OVERTAKEN VEHICLE. The operator of a vehicle upon a

street about to be overtaken and passed by another vehicle approaching from the rear shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on suitable and audible signal being given by the driver of the overtaking vehicle and shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle. No person shall drive at an unnecessary slow rate of speed so as to hinder and retire the traffic.

SECTION 24: RIGHT TURNS. The operator of a vehicle intending to turn to the right at an intersection or into an alley or driveway shall turn the corner as near the right hand curb as practicable.

SECTION 25: LEFT TURNS. At intersections, an operator of vehicle intending to turn into a street to the left, shall make what is commonly known as an "inside left turn", subject to the following regulations: Such vehicle shall go diagonally across the intersection, keeping as close as practicable to the center of the intersection, and reaching the right hand side of the street so being entered to the left as directly as practicable.

SECTION 26: U TURNS. It shall be unlawful for any vehicle to cross over from the right side of the street to the left side of the street, or to make a complete turn around or turn of one hundred eighty (180) degrees upon any street except upon the intersection of one street with another street.

SECTION 27: BACKING. It shall be unlawful to back a vehicle around a corner at an intersection, or into an intersection of public streets. No vehicle shall be backed without ample warning first having been given, and, while backing, care must be exercised not to injure person or vehicle, or to block traffic.

SECTION 28: STARTING. A standing vehicle about to start shall give moving vehicles the right of way, and the driver thereof shall give ample warning before so starting.

SECTION 29: RIGHT OF WAY. Ambulances, Fire and Police Department Vehicles when responding to or returning from an emergency call shall have the right of way, and when driver of such vehicle on such a call shall give audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle, the operator of every other vehicle shall immediately drive his vehicle as near as possible and parallel to the right hand curb of the street clear of any intersection, and shall stop and remain in such position until such emergency vehicle shall have passed, unless otherwise directed by a police officer. Every driver of a vehicle approaching the intersection of a street shall grant the right of way at such intersection to any vehicle approaching such intersection from his right; provided, that whenever traffic officers are stationed at said intersections they shall have full power to regulate traffic.

SECTION 30: STOP BEFORE ENTERING. The operator of a vehicle emerging from an alley, private driveway, or building into a street, or entering a through street shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto crosswalk or crosswalk area extending across such an approach.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 31: MOTOR VEHICLES LEFT UNATTENDED. No person having control or charge of a motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to stand on any street unattended without first setting the brakes thereon and stopping the motor of said vehicle.

SECTION 32: NOT TO DRIVE THROUGH PROCESSIONS. No driver of any vehicle shall drive through or otherwise interfere with any funeral or other authorized procession in any of the streets, and it shall be the duty of any person driving any vehicle to stop when reaching a street on which such procession is passing and wait until the procession has entirely passed by.

SECTION 33: FOLLOWING FIRE APPARATUS PROHIBITED. It shall be un-

lawful for the operator of any vehicle other than one on official business to follow closer than five hundred (500) feet of any fire vehicle traveling in response to a fire alarm, or to drive into or stop any vehicle within the block where the fire apparatus has stopped in answer to the alarm.

SECTION 34: CROSSING FIRE HOSE. No vehicle shall be driven over any unprotected hose of the fire department when laid down on any street or private driveway to be used at any fire or alarm of fire, without the consent of the fire department official in charge.

SECTION 35: DUTY TO STOP IN EVENT OF ACCIDENT. The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident, resulting in injury or death to any person or damage to property shall immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of such accident and shall give his name and address and registration number of his vehicle to the person struck or the driver or occupant of a ny vehicle collided with, and shall render to any person injured in such accident, reasonable assistance, including the carrying of such person to a physician or surgeon for medical treatment, if it is apparent that such treatment is necessary or is requested by the injured person, and shall forthwith report the accident to the Police Department stating the place of accident and the kind and extent of the damage caused.

SECTION 36: PENALTY. Any person violating any of the provisions of Section 35 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty and shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and a sentence of not longer than six months at hard labor upon the streets or public works or imprisonment in City Jail or both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 37: REPORTING DAMAGED VEHICLE. The person in charge of any garage, repair shop, or service station to which is brought any vehicle which shows evidence of having been involved in a serious accident or

struck by any bullet shall report to the police of this City at once, giving kind of car and license number, and if possible the name and address of the owner or operator of such vehicle.

SECTION 38: DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate or attempt to drive or operate any vehicle upon any of the streets, alleys or public grounds of this City while such person is in an intoxicated or drunken condition or under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

SECTION 39: AGE OF DRIVER. No person who is under the age of fifteen (15) years shall operate or drive a motor vehicle upon the streets of this City unless such person is accompanied by the owner of the motor vehicle.

SECTION 40: PROJECTING LOADS. No person shall drive any vehicle upon any street in the City with any load or part of load projecting more than four (4) feet beyond the rear end or front end, or more than two (2) feet beyond the sides of the body or carrying part of said vehicle, unless there ~~be~~ be attached to the extreme ends and sides of such projecting load some warning sign or signal plainly discernible to other drivers and clearly indicating the projecting parts of such load.

SECTION 41: MUFFLER. It shall be unlawful to operate a motor vehicle unless motor vehicle is provided with a muffler, which at all times must be kept closed so that the exhaust is effectively muffled. It shall be unlawful to operate a motor vehicle in such manner as to permit unnecessary or excessive smoke from the motor of such vehicle.

SECTION 42: BRAKES AND SIGNALLING DEVICE. Every motor vehicle shall be provided with adequate brakes in good working order and sufficient to control such motor vehicle at all times when same is in use, and an adequate bell or horn or other device for signalling.

SECTION 43: SIGNALS. The Driver of a vehicle shall give timely

warning by signalling with the hand or in some other plenty discernible manner indicating the intention to slow up, turn or stop. The signal given to indicate the intention of the driver of a vehicle to slow up, turn or stop, must be plainly discernible from the rear of such vehicle. Hand signals shall be as follows:

(a) Left arm straight out for turn in direction pointed.

(b) Left arm pointed upward for turn in direction opposite to such arm.

(c) Left arm pointed down for stopping or suddenly checking speed.

SECTION 44: LIGHTS. A motor vehicle shall while in motion, during the period from half an hour after sunset to half an hour before sunrise, display at least two lighted lamps on the front and one on the rear of such motor vehicle, such lamps to conform to the State Law of Alabama; provided that a motor cycle or a motor Bicycle shall be required to display but one lighted lamp in front and one in the rear.

SECTION 45: HEAD LIGHTS. It shall be unlawful to use acetylene, gas or electric head lights or side lights upon any vehicle upon any of the streets or alleys of the city, unless the same are dimmed in such a way as to prevent the light being dazzling or blinding to persons using the streets.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECTION 46: RESTRICTIONS AS TO SPEED. IT shall be prima facie lawful for the driver of any vehicle to drive or propel the same at a speed not exceeding the following, but if in any case such speed on such street would be unsafe it shall not be deemed lawful:

(a) Fifteen miles an hour when approaching within fifty feet of a railway crossing when the driver's view is obstructed. A Driver's view shall be deemed to be obstructed, when at any time during the last two hundred feet of his approach to such crossing he does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such railway crossing and of any traffic on such railway for a distance of four hundred feet in each direction from such crossing.

(b) Fifteen miles an hour when passing a school recess or while children are going to or leaving school during opening or closing hours.

(c) Fifteen miles an hour when approaching within fifty feet and in traversing an intersection of a street when the driver's view is obstructed. A driver's view shall be deemed obstructed when at any time during the last fifty feet of his approach to such intersection, he does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such intersection, and of the traffic upon all the streets entering such intersection, for a distance of two hundred feet from such intersection.

(d) Fifteen miles an hour in traversing or going around curves or traversing a grade upon a street or alley, when the driver's view is obstructed within a distance of one hundred feet along such street or alley, in the direction in which he is proceeding.

(e) Twenty-five miles an hour on any street in the business district when traffic on such street is controlled at intersections by traffic officers or Stop-and-Go Signals.

(f) Twenty miles an hour on all other streets in the business district.

(g) Twenty-five miles an hour in a residence district and in public parks and public grounds unless different speed is fixed and posted by the Police Department.

(H) Thirty-five Miles a n hour on ahl other streets.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION 47: VEHICLES WITH LUGS PROHIBITED. It shall be unlawful to operate or move any tractor engine, tractor or other vehicle exceeding ten thousand pounds in weight having wheels to the surface of which are attached mud-lugs, ice spurs, spikes or log chains upon or across any street in the City that is surfaced with gravel, paving or any other hardsurfacing material, without first laying plank of at least two

inches thickness over the surface of such street in a manner so as to protect such street from contact with said vehicle.

SECTION 48: WEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE AND LOADS. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any vehicle upon or over any street in the City improved with hard surfacing, the gross weight of which, including the load, is more than 20,000 pounds, or any vehicle having a greater gross weight than 16,000 pounds on one axle, or any vehicle having a gross weight of over 600 pounds per inch width tire upon any wheel concentrated upon the surface of the improved street, said width in case of rubber per inch width tire upon any wheel on the rim.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION 49: RIDING BICYCLES ON SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED. No person shall ride any bicycle on the sidewalks, footpaths or lengthwise of crosswalks in the City, and shall ride said bicycle as near the right hand curb as may be practical, and in such manner as not to interfere with pedestrians or heavier or faster traveling vehicles. The rules of the road as set forth in this ordinance shall be the same to govern bicycle riding.

SECTION 50: LIGHTS ON BICYCLES. No person shall ride any bicycle upon the streets or alleys in the night time without displaying a lighted light upon such bicycle which shall be so placed as to give warning to others and enable the rider to see at least twenty (20) feet ahead.

SECTION 51: COASTERS, ROLLER SKATERS, and Similar Devices. It shall be unlawful for any person on roller skates, or riding in or by means of any coaster, toy vehicle, or similar device, to go upon any roadway except while crossing a street on a crosswalk.

SECTION 52: CLINGING TO MOVING VEHICLES. It shall be unlawful for any person traveling upon any bicycle, coaster, sled, ski, roller skates or any other toy vehicle, to cling to or attach himself to any other moving vehicle upon any roadway within the City.

SECTION 53: RIDING ON OUTSIDE OF VEHICLE. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride upon the running board or fender of any motor while the vehicle is in motion.

ARTICLE XI.

SECTION 54: GENERAL PENALTIES. Any person or persons, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, or failing to comply with any of the provisions thereof shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars or sentenced to hard labor upon the streets or public works or imprisonment in City Jail not to exceed a term of six months or both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 55: EFFECT OF ORDINANCE. If any section, subsection, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The governing Body hereby declared that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that anyone or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

ARTICLE XII.

SECTION 56: REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Adopted and approved this the 25th day of October, 1935.

Attest: Ora E. Jones, Clerk,
of the City of Roanoke, Ala. W. H. Mann, Mayor,
of City of Roanoke, Ala.

I, Ora E. Jones, Clerk of The City of Roanoke, Alabama, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance No. 269 was passed and adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Roanoke, Alabama, on the 25 day of October, 1935, and was herein recorded and was published in the Roanoke Leader, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of

Roanoke, Alabama, on the 30th day of October, and the 6 and 13th day
of November, 1935.

Ora E. Jones

Ora E. Jones, Clerk, City of
Roanoke, Alabama.