THE CITY OF WEST JORDAN, UTAH

ORDINANCE NO. 26-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2009 WEST JORDAN CITY CODE (TRAFFIC AND PARKING); Title 7, Chapters 1 and 2

WHEREAS, the City of West Jordan ("**City**") adopted West Jordan City Code ("**City Code**") in 2009; and the City Council of the City ("**Council**" or "**City Council**") desires to amend Title 7, Chapters 1 and 2 of the City Code ("**proposed City Code amendments**"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the City Code to reflect changes in State Law and to ensure that the City Code is more easily navigated and understood; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City to adopt the proposed City Code amendments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST JORDAN, UTAH AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of City Code Provision. City Code Title 7, Chapters 1 and 2, are amended as shown in Attachments 1 (Legislative Version) and 2 (Clean Version) to this Ordinance.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon posting or publication as provided by law and upon (i) the Mayor signing the Ordinance, (ii) the City Council duly overriding the veto of the Mayor as provided by law, or (iii) the Mayor failing to sign or veto the Ordinance within fifteen (15) days after the City Council presents the Ordinance to the Mayor.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST JORDAN, UTAH, THIS 14TH DAY OF APRIL 2026.

CITY OF WEST JORDAN

By: Bob Bedore (May 4, 2026 13:01:35 MDT)
Bob Bedore
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Cindy M. Quick, MMC
Council Office Clerk

Voting by the City Council	**"YES"**	**"NO"**
Council Chair Bob Bedore	☒	☐
Council Vice-Chair Jessica Wignall	☒	☐
Council Member Annette Harris	☒	☐
Council Member Zach Jacob	☒	☐
Council Member Chad Lamb	☒	☐
Council Member Kent Shelton	☒	☐
Council Member Kayleen Whitelock	☒	☐

PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 20, 2026

Mayor's Action: X Approve _____ Veto

By: _____ May 4, 2026
Mayor Dirk Burton Date

ATTEST:

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Tangee Sloan, MMC, UCC
City Recorder

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL/PASSAGE (check one)

X The Mayor approved and signed Ordinance No. 26-22.

_____ The Mayor vetoed Ordinance No. 26-22 on _____ and the City Council timely overrode the veto of the Mayor by a vote of _____ to _____.

_____ Ordinance No. 26-22 became effective by operation of law without the Mayor's approval or disapproval.

_____
Tangee Sloan, MMC, UCC
City Recorder

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

I, Tangee Sloan, certify that I am the City Recorder of the City of West Jordan, Utah, and that a short summary of the foregoing ordinance was published on the Utah Public Notice Website on the 6th day of May 2026. The fully executed copy of the ordinance is retained in the Office of the City Recorder pursuant to Utah Code Annotated, 10-3-711.

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Tangee Sloan, MMC, UCC
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(Attachments on the following pages.)

Attachments 1 and 2 to

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Attachment 1 – Title 7, Chapters 1 and 2 - Legislative Version

Attachment 2 – Title 7, Chapters 1 and 2 - Clean Version

(See the following pages for the attachments.)

TITLE 7
MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

CHAPTER 1
GENERAL PROVISIONS AND ADMINISTRATION

SECTION:

7-1-1: Title

7-1-2: Definitions

7-1-3: Applicability And Purpose

7-1-4: Enactment Of State Motor Vehicle Code

7-1-5: Conflict With State Law

7-1-6: Traffic Regulations Applicable To Public School Grounds

7-1-7: Penalty

7-1-1: TITLE:

This title shall be known and may be cited as the WEST JORDAN TRAFFIC CODE. (2001 Code § 86-1-101)

7-1-2: DEFINITIONS:

For the purposes of this title, the words and phrases used in this title shall have the meanings and definitions contained in section 1-3-2 of this Code and in Utah Code ~~Annotated~~ section 41-6a-102, unless the context in which they are used indicates a contrary meaning is intended. (2001 Code § 86-1-102; amd. Ord. 19-04, 1-23-2019)

7-1-3: APPLICABILITY AND PURPOSE:

A. This title governs the parking and movement of motor vehicles, bicycles, electric bicycles, pedestrians, and other traffic upon the streets, roadways, alleys and public places within the ~~City .~~city. The provisions of this title, when defining the duties of drivers of vehicles upon public streets, shall be deemed to include the phrase "upon the streets of the City" as though set forth in this title in its entirety.

B. By enacting this title and its provisions, the City Council intends to exercise all authority granted to it by the state Legislature under appropriate statutes.

C. This title shall be construed to effect the purpose of promoting the safe and orderly movement of traffic within the City-, to adequately define the conduct constituting violations, to forbid and prevent their commission, and to prescribe penalties which are proportionate to the seriousness of the violation. (2001 Code § 86-1-103)

7-1-4: ENACTMENT OF STATE MOTOR VEHICLE CODE:

A. ~~Class B and C misdemeanors and infractions found in Utah Code Annotated title 41 and title 53, as amended, as they exist now and as amended or enacted in the future, are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by this reference as violations of City ordinances. Peace officers and any public officials charged with enforcement of the law are hereby authorized to cite violations of the City Code by citing title 41 and title 53~~The following sections of the Utah code are adopted and incorporated by reference and may be cited to as violations of the city code in any prosecution action:~~.~~

1. Utah Code title 41, Chapters 1a, 6a, 8, 12a, 21, 22, and 26 or their successor provision;

2. Utah Code title 53, chapter 3 or its successor provision; and

3. Utah Code title 72 or its successor provision.

B. The heading on prosecution documents may designate the plaintiffs as "State of Utah (City of West Jordan)" or a variation of this, and such documents will operate as a prosecution in the name of the State or in the name of the City, as may be appropriate. (2009 Code)

7-1-5: CONFLICT WITH STATE LAW:

The provisions of this title shall be construed to be in conformity with applicable state -law . (2001 Code § 86-1-104)

7-1-6: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS:

A. Pursuant to the provisions of ~~Utah Code Annotated section 53A-3-504~~section 53G-8-604 of state code, or its successor provision, and at the request of the Board of Education of ~~the~~ Jordan School District, the ~~traffic rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this title shall be applicable upon the real property which is located within the~~city ~~City and belongs to or is controlled by the Board of Education.~~places adopts specific regulations for district properties.

B. ~~Notwithstanding any provisions contained in this title to the contrary, the~~The following ~~driving rules and~~ regulations shall~~, in case of conflict, take precedence over such other provisions applicable to such~~ apply to Jordan School District ~~school~~ properties:

1. The maximum speed limit for motor vehicles ~~on school premises~~ is ~~ten (~~10~~)~~ miles per hour.

2. Vehicular traffic is limited to entering, exiting, and parking. Cruising ~~and~~ or loitering is ~~unlawful~~prohibited.

3. All vehicles are restricted to designated roadways. ~~It is unlawful to drive any motorized vehicle on a lawn, path or other prohibited area.~~

4. Unauthorized parking in designated staff and visitor parking areas is prohibited at all times.

~~C. Regulations for parking and registration of students' vehicles for parking on school grounds are contained in section 7-3-7 of this title.~~

~~D. It is unlawful to violate the provisions of subsection B of this section.~~ (2001 Code § 86-1-113)

7-1-7: PENALTY:

~~Any person convicted of violating any provision of this title by conduct which is indicated to be unlawful and for which no other specific maximum punishment is indicated may be punished with the punishment specified for a conviction of~~Unless another penalty is specifically provided for, any violation of this title shall be prosecuted as an infraction. (2001 Code § 86-1-114; amd. 2009 Code)

CHAPTER 2
OPERATION OF VEHICLES

SECTION:

7-2-1: Cutting Through Corners

7-2-2: Improper Lookout

~~7-2-3: Interference With Safe Operation Of Vehicle~~

~~7-2-4: Negligently Colliding~~

~~7-2-5: One Arm Driving~~

~~7-2-6: Parades And Procession Permits~~

~~7-2-7: Unlawful Transfer On A Roadway~~

7-2-1: CUTTING THROUGH CORNERS:

It is unlawful for any person to drive a motor vehicle through any private driveway, lot or similar area, whether vacant or not, for the purpose and with the intent of avoiding obedience to any traffic regulation or for the purpose and with intent of harassing and annoying the owner or his patrons. (2001 Code § 86-2-112)

7-2-2: IMPROPER LOOKOUT:

It is unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle on the roadway without keeping a reasonable and proper lookout for other traffic, objects, fixtures or property on or adjacent to the roadway. (2001 Code § 86-2-118)

~~7-2-3: INTERFERENCE WITH SAFE OPERATION OF VEHICLE:~~

~~It is unlawful for any person to engage in any activity or do any act which interferes with the safe operation of any vehicle. (2001 Code § 86-2-119)~~

~~7-2-4: NEGLIGENTLY COLLIDING:~~

~~It is unlawful for any person to operate a vehicle with such lack of due care and in such negligent manner as to cause the vehicle to collide with any vehicle, person or object. (2001 Code § 86-2-121)~~

~~7-2-5: ONE ARM DRIVING:~~

~~It is unlawful for any driver to have either arm around another person while the vehicle is in motion. (2001 Code § 86-2-123)~~

~~7-2-6: PARADES AND PROCESSION PERMITS:~~

~~A. No procession or parade, except a funeral procession, shall occupy or proceed along any street except in accordance with a permit issued by the director of public safety. All requests for such permits shall state the time, place of formation, proposed line of march, destination and such other information as the director of public safety may require. Any procession or parade proceeding in accordance with the permit provided may be authorized by the director of public safety to disregard traffic devices.~~

~~B. It is unlawful to throw candy or any other object from any vehicle, float, trailer or other conveyance when such vehicle, float, trailer or conveyance is in a parade on the public streets. (2001 Code § 86-2-126)~~

~~7-2-7: UNLAWFUL TRANSFER ON A ROADWAY:~~

~~A. It is the intent of this section to enhance the safety of pedestrians and motor vehicle occupants on public roadways and public parking lots within West Jordan City limits; to assure the free, orderly, and undisrupted movement of motor vehicles on public roadways within West Jordan City municipal limits; and to ensure that transactions between pedestrians and motorists within West Jordan City limits are undertaken in an orderly manner and do not create motorist frustration, annoyance or hostility. This section is intended to apply evenhandedly to all persons who engage in the activities proscribed regardless of their intent or any message they may be attempting to communicate incidental to the proscribed activity.~~

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~~LEGALLY PARKED: A vehicle that is standing, stopped, or otherwise appropriately parked in an area designed or legally authorized for parking.~~

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~~1. While a pedestrian, to accept, take or otherwise obtain possession or control of any money or personal property from a person within a motor vehicle while that motor vehicle is within a roadway or on publicly owned property used as an entrance or exit to a roadway;~~

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~~D. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, the activities proscribed by this section shall not be unlawful if: 1) such actions are required as the result of a traffic accident, medical emergency, or similar exigent circumstances; 2) such actions are directed by a peace officer or authorized traffic control officer in the course of their official duties, or 3) the transaction is undertaken after the motor vehicle has been legally parked.~~

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