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Section 12-1-1 Duty of Police Chief

- A. It shall be the duty of the Police Chief to provide for the enforcement of the street traffic regulations of the City and all of the state vehicle laws applicable to street traffic in the City, to make arrests for traffic violations, to investigate accidents and to assist in developing ways and means to improve traffic conditions and to carry out all duties especially imposed upon the Police Chief by this chapter.
- B. Any peace officer of the City may be authorized by the Police Chief to perform any of the duties of the Police Chief included in this chapter.

Section 12-1-2 Records of Traffic Violations

- A. The Police Chief shall keep a record of all violations of the traffic laws of the City or of the state vehicle laws of which any person has been charged, together with a record of the final disposition of all such alleged offenses. Such record shall accumulate during at least a five year period and from that time on the record shall be maintained complete for at least the most recent five year period.
- B. All forms for records of violations and notices shall be serially numbered. For each month and year a written record shall be kept available to the public showing the disposal of all such forms.
- C. All records and reports shall be public records.

Section 12-1-3 Police Chief to Investigate Accidents

It shall be the duty of the Police Chief to investigate traffic accidents and to arrest and assist in the prosecution of those persons charged with violations of law causing or contributing to such accidents.

Section 12-1-4 Traffic Accident Studies

Whenever the accidents at any particular location become numerous the Police Chief shall conduct studies of such accidents and determine remedial measures.

Section 12-1-5 Traffic Accident Reports

- A. The Police Chief shall maintain a suitable system of filing traffic accident reports. Accident reports or cards referring to them shall be filed alphabetically by location.
- B. The Police Chief shall receive and properly file all accident reports made to him under state law or under any law of the City, but all such accident reports made by drivers shall be for the confidential use of the City and no such report shall be admissible in any civil or criminal proceeding other than upon request of any person making such report or upon request of the court having jurisdiction, to prove a compliance with the laws requiring the making of any such report.

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Section 12-2-1 Directing Traffic

- A. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to direct all traffic, either in person, by the officers of the Police Department or by means of visible or audible signal.
- B. 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 chapter.

- C. The Chief of Police is hereby empowered to make and enforce regulations necessary to make effective the provisions of this chapter and to make and enforce temporary regulations to cover emergencies. All such rules and regulations promulgated by the Chief of Police shall be filed at the next meeting of the Council following such promulgation.

Section 12-2-2 Obedience to Traffic Regulations

It is unlawful for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required by this chapter. It is unlawful for any person to willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of the Police Chief or of any Fire Department Official. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a civil sanction. A civil sanction imposed pursuant to this section shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00).

[Amended Ord. 592-12]

Section 12-2-3 Use of Coasters, Roller Skates and Similar Devices Restricted

It is unlawful for any person upon roller skates or riding any coaster, toy vehicle or similar device to go upon any roadway except while crossing a street on a crosswalk and, when crossing, such person shall be granted all of the rights and shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to pedestrians.

Section 12-2-4 Traffic Control Devices

- A. The Police Chief, with the approval of the Council, shall place and maintain traffic control devices, signs and signals when and as required under the traffic regulations of the City to make effective the provisions of said regulations, and may place and maintain such additional traffic control devices as he may deem necessary to regulate traffic under the traffic laws of the City or under state law or to guide or warn traffic.
- B. The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with the traffic regulations of the City unless otherwise directed by the Police Chief, subject to the exceptions granted in this chapter or by state law.

Section 12-2-5 Authority to Designate Crosswalks, Establish Safety Zones and Mark Traffic Lanes

The Police Chief is hereby authorized, on approval by the Council:

- A. To designate and maintain, by appropriate devices, marks or lines upon the surface of the roadway, crosswalks at intersections where in his

opinion there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the roadway, and at such other places as he may deem necessary.

- B. To establish safety zones of such kind and character and at such places as he may deem necessary for the protection of pedestrians.
- C. To mark lanes for traffic on street pavements at such places as he may deem advisable, consistent with the traffic laws of the City.

Section 12-2-6 Authority to Place and Obedience to Turning Markers

- A. The Police Chief is authorized to place markers, buttons or signs within or adjacent to intersections indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning at such intersections, and such course to be traveled as so indicated may conform to or be other than as prescribed by law.
- B. When authorized markers, buttons or other indications are placed within an intersection indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning threat, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of such indications.

Section 12-2-7 Authority to Place and Obedience to Restricted Turn Signs

- A. The Police Chief, on approval by the Council, is hereby authorized to determine those intersections at which drivers of vehicles shall not make a right, left or u-turn and shall place proper signs at such intersections. The making of such turns may be prohibited between certain hours of any day and permitted at other hours, in which event the same shall be plainly indicated on the signs or such signs may be removed when such turns are permitted.
- B. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or u-turn is permitted, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of any such sign.

Section 12-2-8 Limitations on Turning Around

The driver of any vehicle shall not turn such vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction upon any street in a business district and shall not upon any other street so turn a vehicle unless such movement can be made in safety and without interfering with other traffic.

Section 12-2-9 One-Way Streets and Alleys

- A. The Council shall, by resolution, designate any streets or alleys which are to be limited to one-way traffic.

- B. When any resolution of the Council designates any one-way street or alley, the Police Chief shall place and maintain signs giving notice thereof, and no such regulation shall be effective unless such signs are in place. Signs indicating the direction of lawful traffic movement shall be placed at every intersection where movement of traffic in the opposite direction is prohibited.

Section 12-2-10 Regulation of Traffic at Intersections

- A. The Council shall, by resolution, designate through streets, intersections where stops are required, and intersections where vehicles shall yield the right of way.
- B. When any resolution of the Council shall designate any through street or intersection where vehicles are to stop or yield the right of way, the Police Chief shall erect and maintain the appropriate signs at every location where a vehicle must stop or yield the right of way.

Section 12-2-11 Drivers to Obey Signs

Whenever traffic signs are erected as provided in this chapter, every driver of a vehicle shall obey such signs unless directed to proceed by the Police Chief or a traffic control signal. No driver shall drive upon or through any private property such as an oil station, vacant lot, or similar property to avoid obedience to any regulation included in this chapter.

Section 12-2-12 Processions

- A. No procession or parade, except funeral processions, shall be held without first securing a permit from the Police Chief, and all such requests for permits shall state the time, place of formation, proposed line of march, destination and such other information as the Police Chief may request. Fees for parade permits shall be as established from time to time by the Council.
- B. A funeral procession composed of a procession of vehicles shall be identified by such methods as may be determined and designated by the Police Chief.
- C. No driver of a vehicle shall drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated. This provision shall not apply at intersections where traffic is controlled by traffic control signals or the Police Chief.

- D. Each driver in a funeral or other procession shall drive as near to the right hand edge of the roadway as practical and shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practical and safe.

Section 12-2-13 Off-Road Vehicles

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, ride, or use a motorcycle, off-highway motor vehicle, motor vehicle, mini-bike, trail bike, dune buggy, motor scooter, jeep or other form of transportation propelled by an internal combustion engine, upon any public or private property which is not an improved public street or highway, dedicated right of way, or an improved private street constructed in accordance with the City of Page standards and approved by the City, except that this section shall not apply in any of the following instances:

- 1. Where such vehicle is being driven, ridden, or used upon property by the owner, resident, or tenant of such property, or by an authorized visitor when such visitor is accompanied by or has the written authorization in his possession from the owner, resident, or tenant of such property.
- 2. Where such use is permitted pursuant to a use permit or otherwise in accordance with the Zoning Regulations of the City of Page.

[Added Ord. 14-77]

- 3. Where such vehicle is being driven, ridden, or used upon any private property which is not an improved public street or highway, dedicated right of way, or an improved private street constructed in accordance with the City of Page standards and approved by the City, except that such vehicle shall not be driven, ridden, or used within 150 feet of a residence, church, school in session.

[Amended Ord. 114-84]

- 4. Where such use occurs on the following public property known as: (1) Big 5 (that area south of Highway 98, between Highway 89 and the western boundary of the Industrial Park south to the Navajo Nation and City of Page boundaries); (2) Antelope Valley/Cow Ponds (that area east of the airport boundary fence to the east Navajo Nation and City of Page boundaries and north of Coppermine Road and Highway 98); (3) Dead Dog (that area west of the WAPA Power Substation on the west side of the Colorado River within the Glen Canyon National Recreation area); and (4) Seismograph Road (that area south of Highway 89 to the south of Grenehaven within Bureau of Land Management and Glen Canyon National Recreation areas) - and when

such vehicle is being driven, ridden or used in accordance with the following rules and regulations:

- a. All off-highway vehicles (OHVS) must display a current OHV registration sticker and comply with all OHV registration requirements from the state of registration.
- b. Riders and drivers operate their OHVS or other street legal vehicles at their own risk.
- c. Vehicles shall not be driven, ridden or used within 150 feet of a residence, church, or school in session.
- d. All OHVS must have a muffler with a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) approved spark arrestor device.
- e. All OHVS must have a lighted headlights and taillights, if the OHV is operated between one half-hour after sunset and one half-hour before sunrise.
- f. Anyone under 18 that is driving or riding on an OHV must wear a properly fitted and fastened United States Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) approved helmet.
- g. No child under the age of 8 may operate an OHV.
- h. Travel is limited to roads and marked trails or routes. The making of new trails or routes is prohibited.
- i. All OHVS and street legal vehicles must yield the right-of-way to hikers, bicyclists and equestrians.
- j. Reckless operation is prohibited.
- k. It is recommended that all OHVS operate with an orange or red safety flag, visible at least eight (8) feet from the ground.
- l. Do not harass wildlife.
- m. All users must comply with the rules and regulations for other agencies when entering their lands or jurisdictions.

[Added Ord. 620-14]

- B. Every vehicle, as defined in subsection A of this section being driven, ridden, or used upon public or private property shall be equipped with either a muffler or silencer in good working order and in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise, and no person shall use a muffler or silencer cut-out, by-pass, or similar device.
- C. Whenever any person is stopped by a peace officer for violation of subsection A, paragraph 1 of this ordinance, he shall, upon the request of such officer, display such written permission.
- D. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and each person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance is committed, continued or permitted and upon conviction of any such violation such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than

\$300.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

[Added Ord. 14-77]

[NOTE: Lettering of B, C, and D changed by Ordinance No. 114-84]

Section 12-2-14 Commercial Vehicle Traffic Restrictions

A. Definitions

1. "Commercial vehicle" means every vehicle designed, maintained or used for the transportation of persons or property, other than the personal effects of the driver, for hire or compensation.
2. "Truck" or "vehicle" means those vehicles with motive power or the combination of a vehicle and towed trailer meeting any one or more of the following conditions:
 - a. Having three (3) or more axles.
 - b. Exceeding ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross vehicle weight.
 - c. Exceeding thirty feet (30') in overall length including truck and load.
3. "Truck route" means those streets designated on a list and map on file in the City Clerk's Office; and posted with appropriate signage by the City of Page.
4. "Base of Operations" means the primary physical location at which the scheduling, operations, loading and unloading, repair and maintenance and storage of a commercial vehicle occurs. The residence of a commercial vehicle driver is not considered the vehicle's base operations unless the above elements also occur at the residence, e.g. contract truck owner/operator.

B. Exemptions

The following exemptions shall apply to this section:

1. School buses
2. Vehicles owned or operated by a utility for the purpose of construction, installation, or the repair of utility facilities.
3. Authorized emergency vehicles

4. Vehicles used for refuse collection
5. Road machinery or construction vehicles while involved in construction or repair activities.
6. Residential route package and express cargo vehicles not exceeding two (2) axles used for local route deliveries involving multiple stops along City streets

C. Restrictions

No person shall operate any commercial vehicle as defined in Section 10-2-14.A at any time upon City streets except those streets or parts of streets designated as truck routes; except for the purpose of delivery or pickup of cargo, or the delivery or pickup of passengers to a specific location outside of a designated truck route. Vehicles may operate on restricted streets for the delivery and pickup of cargo or passengers to a specific location and in such cases shall use restricted streets for the shortest distance possible. Vehicles having a base of operation on a restricted street may enter or leave such location at any time by the shortest distance to a designated truck route.

[Added Ord. 266-91]

ARTICLE 12-3 PARKING

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Section 12-3-1 Method of Parking

Except as otherwise provided by resolution of the Council, every vehicle stopped or parked upon a roadway where there are adjacent curbs shall be so stopped or parked with the right hand wheels of such vehicle parallel to and within eighteen inches (18") of the right hand curb.

Section 12-3-2 Blocking Traffic

- A. It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park any motor vehicle or other vehicle, upon a street in the City in such manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than twenty feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic, except that a person may stop temporarily, in the actual loading or unloading of passengers or, when necessary, in the observance of traffic signs or signals of the Police Chief.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle, or other vehicle, within an alley or entrance to a private driveway except for the loading or unloading of materials, and not then unless such loading or unloading can be accomplished without blocking the alley to the free movement of vehicular traffic.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to park a boat and trailer, travel trailer, motor home, tractor, semi-trailer, or trailer upon any street in the City for a period of more than twenty-four consecutive hours.

Section 12-3-3 Parking Adjacent to Schools

When signs are erected indicating no parking on the side of the street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place for one hour before school opens until one hour after school closes on any school day.

Section 12-3-4 Authority to Erect Signs Restricting Parking

The Police Chief, upon approval by the Council, may erect signs requiring parking at an angle to the curb, allowing parking on the left-hand curb on one-way streets, notifying drivers that parking is prohibited and restricting parking in any way that may be necessary. No parking restrictions shall become effective until such restricted parking area is specifically designated by resolution of the Council and signs have been erected as authorized by this section. It is unlawful for any person to stop or stand a vehicle in disobedience to such parking restrictions.

Section 12-3-5 Parking Vehicles on Sidewalks

It is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle, whether in useable condition or not, or for an owner to permit his vehicle to be parked upon any sidewalk in the City.

Section 12-3-6 Abandoned or Unattended Vehicles

- A. It is unlawful for any person to abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on public property, streets, boulevards, roadways or alleys.
- B. Evidence that a vehicle has not been moved for a period of seventy-two (72) hours shall be prima facie evidence that the vehicle has been abandoned or left unattended.
- C. Any abandoned or unattended vehicle may be issued a parking citation for each day of violation or towed to impound by the Page Police Department.
- D. Any impounded vehicle not claimed by the owner may be sold by the City as provided by state law.

[Amended Ord. 598-12]

Section 12-3-7 Physically Disabled Parking

- A. Except as provided in subsection B, a person shall not stop, stand or park a motor vehicle within any specially designated and marked parking space provided pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Title 28, Chapter 3, Article 14, unless the motor vehicle is transporting a person who has been issued a valid placard or international symbol of access special plates and either:
 - 1. The motor vehicle displays the valid permanently disabled or temporarily disabled removable windshield placard.
 - 2. The motor vehicle displays international symbol of access special plates that are currently registered to the vehicle.
- B. A person who is chauffeuring a person with a physical disability without a placard or international symbol of access special plates may park momentarily in a parking space provided pursuant to this section for the purpose of loading or unloading the person with a physical disability, and a complaint shall not be issued to the driver for the momentary parking.

[Amended Ord. 561-10]

Section 12-3-8 Truck Tractor and/or Semi-Trailer Parking

- A. The term semi-trailer used in this section shall mean a freight trailer that when attached is supported at its forward end by the fifth wheel device of the truck tractor.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to park a truck tractor and/or semi-trailer upon any street in a residential area of the City. Exception from this restriction

shall only apply in cases where delivery or pick-up of merchandise, materials or equipment is involved at a specific location.

[Added Ord. 47-81]

Section 12-3-9 Owner Liability in Reference to Illegal Parking

- (a) In any proceeding alleging a violation of any of the provisions of this Code governing the standing or parking of a vehicle, the person in whose name such vehicle is registered and the person who parked or placed the vehicle shall be jointly and severally responsible for such violation and subject to a civil sanction therefor.
- (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall apply to those persons in whose names such vehicle is jointly registered. Said persons shall be jointly and severally responsible for such a violation and subject to a civil sanction therefor.

[Added Ord. 603-13]

ARTICLE 12-4 DYNAMIC BRAKING DEVICES

12-4-1 Definition

12-4-2 Prohibited

Section 12-4-1 Definition

In this Article unless the context requires otherwise:

“Dynamic braking device” (commonly referred to as “Jake brake”) means a device used primarily on trucks for the conversion of energy from an internal combustion engine to an air compressor for the purpose of braking without the use of wheel brakes.

[Added Ord. 412-00]

Section 12-4-2 Prohibited

It is unlawful for any person to use Dynamic Braking Devices (commonly referred to as “Jake brake”) while operating any motor vehicle with the dynamic braking device engaged, except for the aversion of imminent danger; for slowing or stopping any vehicle, within the City limits of the City of Page.

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