

BILL NO.

ORDINANCE NO. 101

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE AND OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND OTHER VEHICLES UPON THE HIGHWAYS AND HIGHWAYS OF THE CITY OF ST. MARY, STE. GENEVIEVE COUNTY, MO.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ST. MARY, MO., AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I. Definition and Scope of Ordinance.

Section 1. Definitions--whenever in this ordinance the following words or terms are used, they shall be deemed and taken to have the meaning assigned to them as follows:

"Highway," any public thoroughfare for vehicles, including all public streets, boulevards, parkways, alleys or state or County roads entirely within the municipality, within the corporate limits of the city.

"Intersecting Highway," any highway which joins another whether or not it crosses the same.

"Motor vehicle," any self-propelled vehicle not operated exclusively upon tracks, except farm tractors and fire engines, police patrol, wagons and ambulances, owned and operated by the city.

"Operator," any person who operates or drives a motor vehicle.

"Person," includes firm, corporation, partnership or association.

"Vehicle," any mechanical device on wheels designed primarily for use on highways, except those drawn by human power, or those used exclusively on tracks.

Section 2. Scope of Ordinance. The provisions and prohibitions provided for in this ordinance, shall apply to the operation of motor vehicles and other vehicles upon the highways in the City of St. Mary, Ste. Genevieve County, Mo.

Article II. Speed Limit.

Section I. Speed Limit. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons operating, running, or driving any motor vehicle or other vehicle to operate, run or drive the same on any highway in the City of St. Mary, Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri, at a

rate of speed in excess of thirty (30) miles per hour, and it shall further be unlawful to exercise, run, or drive such vehicle at intersections of highways, or when within the corner of intersecting highways, or crossing intersecting highways, or when traversing a curve or turn in any highway, or when entering one highway from another, at a rate of speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour.

Section 2. Operators of motor vehicles upon approaching a school or a church and when within three hundred (300) feet thereof, must reduce the speed of the vehicle to a speed not exceeding twenty (20) miles per hour, and shall not increase such speed to a speed in excess of twenty (20) miles per hour, until they have proceeded at least three hundred (300) feet therefrom.

Article III. Lamps and Lights, Signal Devices, Brakes and other Equipment.

Section 1. Every motor vehicle while on the highway, whether in operation or otherwise during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, and at all other times when atmospheric conditions render the operation of motor vehicles dangerous on the highway, shall carry at the front two white lights visible under normal conditions for a distance of five hundred feet. Such lamps shall be directed forward and every motor vehicle and motorcycle shall display a red light mounted on the back and directed to the rear. No vehicle shall display or project to the front or sides any other than white lights, or such shades as are commonly known and recognized as white and no vehicle shall display at the back or project toward the rear any other than a red light, except that on motor vehicles which are required to carry number plates on the rear, the rear lamp shall be so constructed, mounted and adjusted as to project from its sides, top, bottom or front, sufficient white light upon such plate as to make the number plate plainly visible from a distance of twenty-five feet, provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of additional red rear lights carried for added safety or of such white lights of low intensity as may be required in the operation of mechanical rear signaling devices, but no motor vehicle shall have mounted at its back any lamp or light projecting towards the rear light of sufficient intensity to conceal the number or interfere with the vision

of any one following:

Section 2. Motor vehicles and other vehicles when parked during the period from one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, shall display one red light at the rear, and such light shall be of sufficient size and intensity to disclose the location of said vehicle for a distance of two hundred and fifty feet.

Section 3. Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a horn, directed forward, or whistle, in good working order, capable of emitting a sound adequate in quantity and volume to give warning of the approach of such vehicle to other users of the highway and to pedestrians. Such signaling device shall be used for warning purposes only and shall not be used for emitting unnecessary noise, and no other sound producing signaling devices shall be used at any time.

Section 4. All motor vehicles, except motorcycles shall be provided at all times with two sets of adequate brakes, kept in good working order, and motorcycles shall be provided with one set of adequate brakes in good working order.

Section 5. Bicycle lights on the city highway, whether in operation or at rest, shall comply. During operation motor vehicles are required to reveal a light, one white light projecting forward and one red light at the rear.

ARTICLE IV.

Rules of the Highway and Traffic Regulations.

Section 1. Every person operating or driving a motor vehicle or other vehicle upon the highways of this city shall observe and comply with the following rules and regulations:

All motor vehicles and other vehicles when not in motion, shall be placed with their right side as near the right hand curb or side of the highway as practicable, not to exceed 12 inches therefrom, except where parking regulations provide that the vehicle be parked at an angle from the curb; provided, however, that this regulation shall not apply to vehicles stopped along the side of the road for the purpose of loading cargo or passengers.

21. An operator meeting another vehicle coming from the opposite direction on the same highway, shall turn and keep to the right of the center of the highway so as to

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(2) An operator meeting another vehicle coming from the opposite direction on the same highway, shall turn and keep to the right of the center of the highway so as to

case without interfering.

1) An operator or driver of a vehicle overtaking another going in the same direction and desiring to pass the same shall pass to the left of the vehicle so overtaken, provided that the way ahead is clear of approaching traffic, but if the way is not clear he shall not pass unless the width of the highway is sufficient to allow his vehicle to pass to the right of the center of the street thereof in the same direction in which his vehicle is moving; and provided further that no operator or driver shall pass a vehicle from the rear on a curve where the view ahead is obstructed or while the vehicle is crossing an intersecting highway. An operator or driver overtaking and desiring to pass a vehicle shall sound his signaling device and the operator or driver of the vehicle so overtaken shall promptly upon such signal, turn his vehicle as far as reasonable possible to the right in order to allow free passage on the left of his vehicle.

2) An operator or driver of a vehicle rounding a curve shall keep as far to the right of the highway as is reasonable possible.

3) All vehicles approaching an intersection on a highway with the intention of turning into an intersecting highway, shall in turning to the right be driven by the operator to the right of the center of said intersection, and in turning to the left shall be driven beyond the center of said intersection, passing to the right thereof before turning such vehicle to the left.

4) An operator or driver when stopping a vehicle, or when checking the speed of a vehicle shall, if the movement of other vehicles may reasonably be affected by such stopping or checking of speed, extend his arm in a horizontal position so that the same may be seen in the rear of his vehicle.

5) An operator or driver intending to turn a vehicle to the right, shall extend his arm above a horizontal position so that the same may be seen in the rear of his vehicle, and shall slow down and approach the intersecting highway as near as practicable to the right side of the highway along which he is proceeding before turning therefrom.

6) An operator or driver intending to turn his vehicle to the left shall extend his

arm held horizontal position so that the same may be seen in the rear of his vehicle, and slow down and approach the intersecting highway so that the left side of his vehicle shall be as near as practicable to the center line of the highway along which he is proceeding before turning therefrom.

1) An operator or driver of a motor vehicle shall have the right-of-way over the operator or driver of any other motor vehicle (so far as practicable) upon the left or an intersecting highway and shall give the right-of-way to an operator or driver of a motor vehicle approaching from the right on an intersecting highway. The right-of-way shall mean the right to proceed when two or more vehicles will reach such intersection at approximately the same time.

2) No person under the age of sixteen years shall operate a motor vehicle upon the highways of this city.

3) No motor vehicle or other vehicle shall be parked or permitted to be parked or to remain in the street in such manner as to interfere with the regular lines of traffic thereon, and for the purposes of this section it shall be deemed an interference with traffic for the operator or driver of a motor vehicle or other vehicle to stop, park or permit his or her vehicle to remain in the regular path of traffic longer than is reasonably necessary to find parking space at the curb, and driving along slowly while holding a conversation with persons on the highway or sidewalk or in another vehicle, or driving along at such a slow rate of speed for any other reason so that the traffic is hindered or vehicles following from the rear cannot pass, shall also be deemed an interference with traffic.

4) Every person driving or operating a motor vehicle or other vehicle upon the streets or highways of this city, shall operate the same so as not to interfere with other vehicles being operated thereon, and it shall be unlawful to turn around or cause to be turned around, any motor vehicle or other vehicle, between street intersections, or to turn between street intersections, to park said vehicle on the opposite side of the street from the side upon which such vehicle is being operated, and to a operator of a motor

vehicle or other vehicle, desiring to turn his vehicle and proceed in the opposite direction from which he is proceeding, shall proceed to next street intersection, and when at such street intersection, what is known as a U left Turn.

It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any motor vehicle with any person or persons hanging therefrom or standing on the ground or boards therefrom or sitting on the fenders thereof.

ARTICLE V. Muffler Out-Outs.

Section 1. Muffler out-outs shall not be used, and no vehicle shall be driven in such manner or condition that excessive and unnecessary noise shall be made by its machinery, motor, signaling device, or other parts thereof, or by any improperly loaded cargo.

Section 2. The motors of all motor vehicles shall be fitted with properly attached mufflers of such capacity or construction as to quiet the maximum possible exhaust noise as completely as is done in modern gas engine driven or motor vehicles. Any muffler connected to the exhaust pipe between the motor and muffler on any motor vehicle shall be permanently placed and disconnected from its operating lever, and shall be so constructed that it cannot automatically open, or be opened or opened while such vehicle is in motion.

ARTICLE VI. Operator motor vehicles while intoxicated and leaving the scene of an accident.

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to run, drive or operate a motor vehicle while such person is in an intoxicated condition.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person operating a motor vehicle who, knowing that injury has been caused to a person or to property by such vehicle to leave the place of such injury or accident without giving his name, residence, including street number, and a description of the accident as to the time, place and nature, to the injured party or to a duly elected, and or appointed and qualified police officer.

ARTICLE VII. Motor Vehicle Without Consent of Owner.

Section 1. No person shall take, use, operate, run or in any way damage or interfere with any motor vehicle in this city without first having obtained the consent, permission and authority of the owner of such vehicle so to do.

ARTICLE VIII - TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Section 1. No motor vehicle, or other vehicle shall be permitted to stop or stop of the street or highway of the City, except to park or drive along the sides of such streets or highways. All such motor vehicles or other vehicles so stopped shall be parked on the right side of such streets or highways in the direction in which the vehicle is facing. In "law" cases that such vehicle shall be placed parallel to the curb or gutter line with its right side to the curb or gutter line, and not more than twelve inches from the curb or gutter line, and not more than four feet from any other vehicle. Any commercial vehicle may be parked double and stopped along and on streets but not highway (1) of the city for the purpose of loading and unloading same, providing same shall not be so parked for a period longer than ten minutes, and providing also such parking shall not block said streets or highway.

Section 2. No vehicle shall be parked in such a manner that any part thereof is within ten feet of any fire hydrant.

Section 3. No vehicle shall be parked in such a manner that any part thereof is within twenty (20) feet of any intersecting highway.

ARTICLE IX. Penalty

Section 1. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding One Hundred Dollars, or imprisonment in the City Jail not exceeding three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

ARTICLE X. REPEAL

Section 1. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Signed this 7 day of September, 1955

Attest: Lenaora Boland
1st Clerk

L. E. DeLassus
Mayor

Witnessed this 7 day of September, 1955

Attest: Lenaora Boland
1st Clerk

L. E. DeLassus
Mayor

- CITY OF SAINT MARY -

Saint Marys, Missouri 63673

Mayor William R. Schwent
Clerk Lolita E. Lorch

Feb. 5th. 1969

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Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 255

Article LX Court costs for above citations or convictions:

Arresting Officer: Seven Dollars (\$7.00) for each person given a summons, citation or arrest.

Police Judge: Three Dollars (\$3.00) for each summons, citation, or arrest placed on docket.

This Amendment shall be in full force and in effect from date of passage and approval.

Passed this 5th. day of February, 1969

Attest:

Lolita E. Lorch
City Clerk

Wm R. Schwent
Mayor

Repealed Feb. 2-19-69

Approved this 5th. day of February, 1969

Pres. Board of Aldermen

Attest:

Lolita E. Lorch
City Clerk