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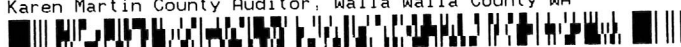
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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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**Whereas**, the Washington Legislature passed in 2010 Washington Laws, regular session, Ch. 217 regulating golf cart zones, allowing local governments to create golf cart zones, and adding a new section to chapter 46.08 RCW which provides in pertinent part:

The Legislative authority of a city or county may by ordinance or resolution create a golf cart zone, for the purposes of permitting the incidental operation of golf carts, as defined in section 3 of this act, upon a street or highway of this state having a speed limit of twenty-five miles per hour or less. RCW 46.08.175(1);

**Whereas**, golf carts are expected to be an important part of the Walla Walla Regional Airport's operation and the operations of its many business tenants as they are cost effective, environmentally appropriate means of conducting work;

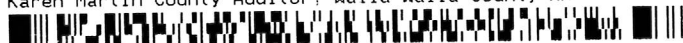
**Whereas**, the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners has considered adoption of this Ordinance during a regularly and duly called public meeting of said Commission, has given careful review and consideration to said Ordinance, and finds said Ordinance to be in the best interests of the County of Walla Walla.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners that:

**Section I. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Findings of Fact:**

1. Roads at the Airport are owned by the Port of Walla Walla, but the County has legal jurisdiction for traffic regulation at the Regional Airport.
2. The Port of Walla Walla requested the proposed amendments, and its representatives have worked with County staff to prepare the regulations.



3. Creating a Golf Cart Zone at the Walla Walla County Airport will be beneficial to the operation of the airport.
4. Providing minimum use and operational requirements for golf carts to include but not limited to age limits, lighting, and other safety equipment will likely protect persons and property from injury and annoyance and promote the safe use of such vehicles and property under the jurisdiction and control of the County.
5. A workshop was held on the proposed amendment on February 3, 2015.
6. Notice of a Public Hearing was published in the Waitsburg Times on April 23, 2015.
7. The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on May 11, 2015 for the purpose of receiving testimony on the proposed amendments.
8. On May 28, 2015, the Port of Walla Walla passed Resolution 05-28-15, requesting that the County adopt regulations pertaining to Golf Carts with G Street included in the proposed Golf Cart Zone.
9. The Board of County Commissioners continued the public hearing to June 8, 2015 and subsequently to June 15, 2015.

**Section II. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Conclusions of Law:**

1. The County has reviewed and evaluated comments received from the public.
2. The amendments are consistent with RCW 46.08.175.

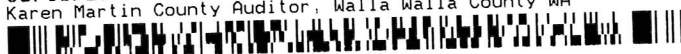
**Section III. Amendments to Walla Walla County Code, Creating New Chapter 10.22.** The amendments to Walla Walla County Code, creating a new Chapter 10.22, are **adopted** as presented to the Board of County Commissioners on this date as attached in Exhibit A.

**Section IV. Index.** The index to any chapter of the Walla Walla County Code in which sections are added or removed or in which section titles are changed herein shall also be amended to reflect the section amendments.

**Section V. Effective Date.** This Ordinance is effective as of the date of signing.

**Section VI. Severability.** If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

**Section VII. Publication.** This Ordinance will be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.



PASSED by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners in regular session at Walla Walla, Washington, then signed by its membership and attested by its Clerk in authorization of such passage this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

Attest:

Connie R Vinti

Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board



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Perry L. Dozier, Chairman, District 2

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James K. Johnson, Commissioner, District 1

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Jesse D. Nolte, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

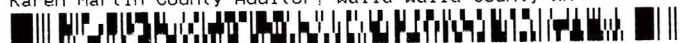


Exhibit A

Chapter 10.22

OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS

Sections:

10.22.010 Definitions

10.22.020 Golf Cart Zone Created

10.22.030 Requirements and Restrictions

10.22.040 Violation—Penalty

10.22.010 Definitions. The following shall be used in this Chapter. Where a word or term is undefined, reference shall be made to RCW Title 46.

“Golf Cart” means a gas-powered or electric powered four-wheeled vehicle originally designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting purposes and has a speed attainable in one mile of not more than twenty miles per hour. A golf cart is not a nonhighway vehicle or off-road vehicle as defined in RCW 46.04.365.

“Street” means the entire right of way width excluding the sidewalk (if present) and between the curb and boundary or pavement lines and shoulder or swale of public property when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of pedestrian, bicycle, or vehicular travel including parking.

“Sidewalk” means that area paved with concrete, asphalt or other similar material located within the right-of-way adjacent to a street or road intended for the public purpose of pedestrian or bicycle travel.

10.22.020 Golf Cart Zone Created.

A. For the purposes of permitting the incidental operation of golf carts as set forth in this chapter, the public streets, avenues and roads with a speed limit of 25 miles per hour or less within the black boundary lines, as shown in Figure 10.22-1, and specifically consisting of the following named streets, avenues and roads, are hereafter referred to as the “Airport Golf Cart Zone”:

A Street, B Street, C Street, D Street, E Street, F Street, Aeronca Avenue, Beach Avenue, Boeing Avenue, Cessna Avenue, Convair Street, Curtis Avenue, Douglas Avenue, Fairchild Avenue, Grumman Avenue, Lear Avenue, Lockheed Avenue, Piper Avenue, Republic Avenue, Ryan Avenue, Stinson Avenue, Terminal Loop Road, and Waco Avenue.

B. The Airport Golf Cart Zone will be clearly identified by signage at the beginning and end of the Airport Golf Cart Zone on a street, avenue or road that is part of the Airport Golf Cart Zone, in accordance with WSDOT’s manual on uniform traffic control devices for streets and highways. No golf carts may be operated in the zone until such signage is placed.





10.22.030 Requirements and Restrictions. The following use, operational requirements, and restrictions are adopted by the County for golf carts driven in a golf cart zone.

A. Every person operating a golf cart as authorized under this chapter is granted all rights and is subject to all duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle under chapter 46.61 RCW, et seq. and WAC 308-330.

B. No golf cart shall be operated faster than is reasonable and proper and every golf cart shall be operated with reasonable regard for the safety of the operator, passengers and other persons or property.

C. A golf cart may be operated on a street by a person within a golf cart zone as follows:

1. Every person operating a golf cart as authorized under this chapter must be at least sixteen (16) years of age and must have completed a driver education course or have previous experience driving as a licensed driver.

2. A person who has a revoked license under RCW 46.20.285 may not operate a golf cart as authorized under this section.

3. Any person operating a golf cart, as authorized under this chapter, shall not transport more passengers than the manufacturer's designed seating capacity. All occupants shall be seated during operation and use of the seat belts shall be mandatory while the golf cart is being operated.

D. All golf carts shall comply with RCW 46.37 regarding vehicle lighting and other equipment, including reflectors, seat belts, rearview mirrors, two operating headlights (one on each side of the front of the golf cart) and two operating taillights with brake lights and turn signals (one on each side of the rear of the golf cart) which are visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet. Headlights shall be in use at all times, including both day and nighttime use, during operation of the golf cart.

E. Accidents that involve golf carts operated upon streets as authorized under this chapter must be recorded and tracked in compliance with chapter 46.52 RCW. The accident report must indicate that a golf cart operated within a golf cart zone is involved in the accident.

10.22.040 Violation—Penalty. No person may operate a golf cart on a street located outside those areas designated as golf cart zones or in such a way that is in violation of any section of this chapter. Upon a determination that a violation of this chapter has occurred, law enforcement officers may, pursuant to RCW 7.80, et seq., issue a Class I civil infraction with a fine not to exceed \$250.00 to any person found in violation of the provisions of this chapter.

