

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 70, TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, BY ADDING SECTION 70-8 ENTITLED TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida law allows municipalities to install traffic control devices; and

WHEREAS, the City of Venice wishes to codify its practice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Whereas clauses above are ratified and confirmed as true and correct.

SECTION 2. Chapter 70, Traffic and Vehicles, Article I, In General, is amended by the addition of Section 70-8, Traffic control devices, to read as follows:

Sec. 70-8. Traffic control devices.

- (a) The city manager, or his designee, shall cause the placement, maintenance and removal of traffic control signs, signals, lane markings and other devices and shall determine the hours and days during which any traffic control devices shall be in operation or be in effect, to carry out the provisions of this code, and may place and maintain such additional traffic control devices as he may deem necessary to regulate traffic under state law, or to warn or guide traffic; provided, that no stop sign or traffic control signal shall be erected or maintained at any location so as to require the traffic on any state highway to stop before entering or crossing any intersection highway, unless approval in writing has first been obtained from the State Department of Transportation.
- (b) The police chief, or his designee, if he determines that there is an immediate and significant risk to public safety, may temporarily cause the placement, maintenance or removal of traffic control devices.
- (c) In all respects, all traffic control signs, signals and devices shall conform to the manual and specifications as approved by the State Department of Transportation. All signs and signals required by this chapter for a particular purpose shall be uniform as to type and location throughout the city. All traffic control devices so erected and not inconsistent with the provisions of state law or this chapter shall be official traffic control devices.

SECTION 3. The placement of all traffic control devices prior to the enactment of this ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. If any part, section, subsection, or other portion of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid for any reason, such part, section, subsection, or other portion, or the prescribed application thereof, shall be severable, and the remaining provisions of this ordinance, and all applications thereof not having been declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid, shall remain in full force and effect. The city council specifically declares that no invalid or prescribed provision or application was an inducement to the enactment of this ordinance, and that it would have enacted this ordinance regardless of the invalid or prescribed provision or application.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and adoption as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA THIS TH DAY 18TH OF NOVEMBER, 2015.

First Reading: November 10, 2015
Final Reading: November 18, 2015
Adoption: November 18, 2015

John Holic, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

David Persson, City Attorney