

## City Council Communication

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**PRESENTER:** Charles Dukes **DEPARTMENT:** City Manager's

Office

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## **BACKGROUND/REQUEST**

I move to direct the City Manager and the City Attorney's Office to research and prepare a draft ordinance for Council consideration that addresses the unlawful operation of electric bicycles, E motorcycles, and off-highway vehicles such as ATVs by minors.

Specifically, the draft ordinance should:

- 1. Establish that parents or legal guardians may be held responsible and subject to fines if they knowingly permit or fail to prevent their minor child from operating these vehicles in violation of state law or city ordinance.
- 2. Include clear definitions aligned with state statute, electric-assisted bicycles, E- motorcycles, dirt bikes, and off-highway vehicles.
- 3. Outline appropriate fine amounts and enforcement procedures, taking into account both deterrence and fairness.
- 4. Explore exceptions or defenses, such as operation on private property with consent or participation in organized recreational or sporting events.
- 5. Provide an implementation plan and public education strategy to ensure residents are informed of the new requirements.

The goal of this ordinance would be to promote public safety, reduce nuisance activity on city streets and public spaces and ensure parents and guardians are engaged in preventing unlawful vehicle use by minors.

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