ORDINANCE NO. 18-2026 **OFFERED BY: Mayor Alonso**

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE CHAPTER 377 ENTITLED "UNDER-SPEED VEHICLES" AS PART OF THE REMINDERVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PART THREE "TRAFFIC CODE", TITLE NINE "PEDESTRIANS, BICYCLES, AND MOTORCYCLES".

WHEREAS, from time to time it becomes necessary to update and amend the Codified Ordinances of the City of Reminderville, Ohio to preserve the public health, safety and welfare, to protect public and private property, and promote the enjoyment and convenience of residents in the community; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio pursuant to section 4511.215 of the Ohio Revised Code has granted local authorities the power to authorize the operation of under-speed vehicles on public streets within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Reminderville wishes to permit the use of under-speed vehicles on public streets in the City; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Reminderville, County of Summit, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Reminderville hereby authorizes and adopts Ordinance 377 entitled "Under-Speed Vehicles (Golf Carts)" as part of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Reminderville.

CHAPTER 377
Under-Speed Vehicles ("Golf Carts")

377.01 Definitions
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377.01 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter:

(a) "Vehicle" has the same meaning as set forth in ORC 4501.01 (A)

(b) "Operator" has the same meaning as set forth in ORC 4501.01 (X)

(c) "Motor Vehicle" has the same meaning as set forth in ORC 4501.01 (B)

(d) "Under-speed vehicle" has the same meaning as set forth in ORC 4501.01 (XX)

(e) "Financial Responsibility" has the same meaning as set forth in ORC 4509.

377.02 INSPECTION.

(a) Prior to the operation of an "Under-Speed Vehicle" (USV) (commonly known as "golf carts") on City streets, the USV must pass an inspection conducted by the Reminderville Police

Department (RPD), for compliance with inspection requirements established by the Ohio Administrative Code Section 4501-30-02.

(b) The cost of inspection by the Reminderville Police Department shall be one hundred dollars ($100.00).

(c) At the time of the inspection, the owner/operator of the USV must present the following to RPD:

(1) Proof of payment to the City of Reminderville Finance Department for the registration fee;

(2) A valid driver's license;

(3) Proof of financial responsibility relating to the use of the USV including but not limited to full liability coverage; and

(4) A USV that meets or exceeds all of the following operational/equipment requirements:

A. Two (2) working brake lights;

B. Rear-view mirror;

C. Windshield;

D. Working horn;

E. Two (2) working headlights;

F. License plate light (rear);

G. Turn signals, two (2) front, two (2) rear;

H. Two (2) working taillights;

I. Seat belts for each seating position;

J. Mounting bracket for required license plate (rear);

K. Working brake system;

L. A properly working steering mechanism;

M. USV attainable speed not greater than twenty (20) miles per hour; and

N. Appropriate tires that are free of major bumps, bulges, breaks, or any other unsafe condition.

(d) If the USV meets all of the operational requirements as listed, the Chief of Police (or their designee) will issue an inspection document that can be taken to the County Title Office to obtain an Ohio Title and with that title, license plates can be purchased for the USV.

(e) USV’s that have been inspected, registered, titled, and plated shall display a sticker that will be provided by RPD on the rear of the USV in a conspicuous location. Officers may stop a USV that is operated on the streets of the City for the purpose of inspecting the USV.

(f) If an inspection sticker is lost, damaged, or destroyed, a replacement sticker must be obtained from RPD at a cost of twenty-five dollars ($25.00).

(g) The USV shall be inspected by RPD every calendar year prior to operation on City Streets.

(h) Persons operating a USV shall purchase a new sticker from RPD every calendar year prior to operation on City Streets.

377.03 REGISTRATION.

(a) Prior to the operation of a USV on City streets, the USV must be registered in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4503 and titled in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4505.

377.04 USAGE AND RESTRICTIONS.

(a) Subject to the requirements set forth herein, the use of USVs shall be permitted on City streets where the speed limit is twenty-five (25) miles per hour or less.

(b) No person shall operate a USV on any portion of Glenwood Boulevard.

(c) The number of occupants in the USV shall not exceed the manufacturer's recommendation, and there must be a seat belt available for each occupant.

(d) Occupants of USVs governed by this Ordinance shall be seated at all times on the seat of the USV and wearing a seat belt when the USV is in motion. Standing on any portion of the USV when it is in motion is prohibited. An officer who observes any operator or rider not wearing a seat belt has probable cause to stop the USV.

(e) The headlights must be on and operating at all times when the USV is operated.

(f) USVs may be operated on all days except October 31 of each year.

(g) All operators of USVs must carry their driver's license, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration while operating the vehicle. All persons operating a USV must have a valid driver's license.

377.05 OPERATION.

All USVs must be operated in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local traffic laws. No one shall use any USV on any public sidewalks or in any public parks. Anyone who operates a USV on City streets must have a valid driver's license. All child restraints must be used in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local traffic laws. All seatbelts are required to be used in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local traffic laws as they apply to automobiles and/or motor vehicles as defined under the Ohio Revised Code. Municipal vehicles shall be exempted from this chapter. Municipal employees shall be exempted from this chapter as long as the municipal employee(s) is/are operating a municipal vehicle in accordance with his/her/their official duties.

377.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates this Chapter is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on the first offense. If the person has previously been convicted of a violation of this Chapter, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. Nothing in this section shall limit the City from filing other violations of law including but not limited to license violations.

SECTION 2. The Council finds and determines that all formal action by this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:

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Sam Alonso, Mayor

Attestation:

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Stacey Task
Clerk of Council

I, Stacey Task, Clerk of Council of the City of Reminderville, Summit County, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing **ORDINANCE 18-2026** was duly and regularly passed by the Council of the City of Reminderville at a regular meeting of Council on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

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Stacey Task
Clerk of Council