

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CITY OF LONDON
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05**

**AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING USE OF UTILITY TASK VEHICLES (“UTV”) ON STREETS
IN THE CITY OF LONDON; PERMIT REQUIRED and PERMIT FEE FOR GOLF CARTS
AND UTVs; FINES and CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD**

Be it Ordained by the City of London, Kentucky as follows:

As used in this Ordinance, “UTV” has the same definition as that contained in KRS 189.515 and 16 CFR Sec. 1420.3 except, as used in this Ordinance, a “utility terrain vehicle” (“UTV”) shall accommodate more than one rider (a “side by side”).

Kentucky law prohibits the use of of both UTV and golf carts on state and federally funded public highways or roadways or on the right-of-way of any public highways or roadways, except pursuant to KRS 189.281 and KRS 189.286 or to cross a public highway as defined in KRS 189.515(7)(a) or if the operator is engaged in farm or agricultural related activities, construction, road maintenance or snow removal as provided by state law.

KRS 189.515(7)(c) and KRS 189.286 provide legal authority for the City of London to designate city streets and city public highways where ATVs (and UTVs) may be operated.

The City of London has elected, pursuant to KRS 189.515 and KRS 189.286 to designate certain public highways under the City’s jurisdiction allowing the use of UTVs and golf carts on any and all city streets and public roads within the City of London that are not designated as Commonwealth of Kentucky (“State”) or federally funded highways, roads or streets. (For

example, no UTVs or golf carts would be operated on US 25 or State Highway 192, except to cross the same.)

AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE ATV OR UTV IN THE CITY OF LONDON:

- A. To operate a UTV or golf cart on City of London streets within the above, a person must comply with the requirements of KRS 189.281 and KRS 189.515.
- B. After inspection pursuant to the above statutes, the applicant shall obtain a permit and sticker from the Office of the London City Clerk for thirty five dollars (\$35.00) for the golf cart or UTV.
- C. The permittee shall show proof of insurance in compliance with KRS 304.39-080 for the UTV or golf cart and proof on inspection by the County Sheriff for the issuance of the permit.
- D. A record of all permits and stickers issued shall be maintained at the Office of the London City Clerk.
- E. The proof of insurance shall be available for inspection upon request to the operator at all times of operation within this Ordinance.
- F. The sticker issued by the City Clerk shall be displayed on the windshield of the UTV or golf cart or in the alternative near the driver's door or in an obvious and conspicuous location.
- G. The sticker shall designate the golf cart or UTV is permitted to operate on the streets and public roadways in the City of London (except as otherwise prohibited pursuant to this Ordinance and/or State law).

CITATIONS AND FINES.

1. Any citation issued for a violation of this Ordinance shall be to the City of London Code Enforcement.
2. Any person cited for violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than two hundred dollars (\$250.00). The cited person may elect to pay the Office of the City Clerk a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) at least five (5) days before the next available Code Enforcement Hearing date.
3. Any person guilty of subsequent violations of this Ordinance within a two (2) years period of time shall be fined not less than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).
4. The violation of any state traffic law is within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Laurel District and Circuit Courts.

Severability:

This Ordinance and the various parts thereof are hereby declared to be severable.

Should any section of this Ordinance be declared by the Courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity if the Ordinance as a whole or any portion thereof other than the section so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

This Ordinance is not intended and does not effect, change or amend City of London Ordinance No. 2017-06 regarding the use of golf carts in the City of London, except as to the amounts of fines and the Code Enforcement Board.

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon publication in accordance with the applicable provisions of Kentucky law.

Randall Weddle, Mayor
City of London

Attested:_____
Katelin McPeek, City Clerk
City of London

First Reading Date:_____

Second Reading Date:_____

Publication Date:_____