

**ORDINANCE #11-XX**

**CITY OF RAMSEY**

**ANOKA COUNTY**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 54 OF THE RAMSEY CITY CODE, WHICH CHAPTER IS KNOWN AS THE TRAFFIC AND VEHICLE CHAPTER OF THE RAMSEY, MINNESOTA, CITY CODE.**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 96-102 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES.**

The City of Ramsey ordains:

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY**

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to and under the authority of the City Charter of the City of Ramsey.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS**

Section 54-97 Definitions is hereby amended to read as follows:

*Designated Restricted Use Area* means that area south of a straight line running from east to west at the 16700 block, starting at the Rum River on the east and running to the City of Elk River border on the west. Within the Restricted Use Area, access to Elmcrest Park and Central Park will be made and restricted to loading and unloading of snowmobiles and ATVs in the parking lots only. A Designated Route from the parking lot will be clearly posted to allow access to the Designated Route on 167th Avenue from Elmcrest Park. A Designated Route from the parking lot of Central Park will be clearly posted to allow access to Armstrong Boulevard for direct northbound travel to the Designated

*Designated Route* shall mean a clearly marked route for Recreational Vehicles to follow.

Except as amended above, no other defined terms in Section 54-97 are affected by this amendment.

Section 54-98 Operation limitations is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) *Designated Restricted Area*. Recreational Vehicles may not be operated in the Designated *Restricted Areas* except in those limited areas where permitted as follows:
  - (1) Within the Restricted Area, access to Elmcrest Park and Central Park will be made and restricted to loading and unloading of snowmobiles and ATV's in the parking lots only.
  - (2) A Designated Route from the parking lot will be clearly posted to allow access to 167th Avenue from Elmcrest Park. A Designated Route from the parking lot of Central Park will be clearly posted to allow access to Armstrong Boulevard for direct travel to the Designated Route.

- (3) On a Designated Route through the River's Bend Park parking lot that allows access to the Rum River trail.
  - (4) On any clearly marked Designated Route.
  - (5) On your own property or the property of another with written permission only if the property is greater than two and one-half acres in size.
  - (6) When the Recreational Vehicle is being used for maintenance or plowing, regardless of lot size.
  - (7) On City roadways within the Designated Restricted Area, as per MN State Statute allows, to get to a Designated route. (Does not include County Roads or State Highways.)
- (b) *Designated Use Areas.* Recreational Vehicles may be operated only in the areas defined in section 54-97 as the Designated Use Areas and then only as follows:
- (1) On the operator's property subject to the provisions of this article.
  - (2) On privately owned property if the operator has in possession written permission from the property owner; or, on privately owned property if the property owner has posted a clearly visible notice indicating "Recreational Vehicles Allowed" or words substantially similar.
  - (3) On trunk highways, county state aid roads or county roads within the Designated Use Area as regulated by MN State Statute.
  - (4) On city streets within the Designated Use Area only as allowed by MN State Statute.(Does not include County Roads or State Highways.)
  - (5) On public or semi-public property within the Designated Use Area only if said property is clearly posted with signs designating the area or specific areas as open to Recreational Vehicles.
- (c) *Specific limitations for operation of ATV's and snowmobiles.* No all-terrain vehicles or snowmobiles may be operated within the right-of-way, including the ditch of a trunk, county state-aid, or county highway from April 1 to August 1 as part of Minnesota's Agricultural Zone.
- (d) *Hours of operation.* Recreational Vehicles may not be operated any place in the city between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. Sunday through Friday, and between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.
- (e) *Snow cover.* From November 1 to March 31, Recreational Vehicles may not be operated off the operator's property or the property of another that the operator has written permission to be on, unless there is a minimum six inches of snow cover on the ground.
- (f) *Specific limitations for operation of mini-Bikes.* Mini-bikes greater than 110cc may not be operated within the Designated Restricted Use Area, regardless of lot size.
- (g) Recreational Vehicles may not be operated on any city sidewalks, bike or pedestrian trails.
- (h) Snowmobiles with "studded" tracks shall not be operated on city roadways.

Section 54-102 Map is hereby amended to read as follows:

A map showing the boundaries of the Designated Areas shall be on display at the city hall and the police

department for public viewing, during normal business hours.

**SECTION 3. SUMMARY**

The following is the official summary of Ordinance #11-XX which has been approved by the City Council of the City of Ramsey as clearly informing the public of the intent and effect of the Ordinance.

It is the intent and effect of Ordinance #11-XX to amend Ramsey, Minnesota City Code Sections Article IV, Sections 96-102 Recreational Vehicles.

Expand the Designated Recreational Use Areas within the City of Ramsey to include a Restricted Use Area of the City.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE**

The effective date of this Ordinance is thirty (30) days after its passage and publication, subject to City Charter Section XX.

Adopted by the Ramsey City Council the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2011.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk

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