

ORDINANCE NO. 25-_____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 101 (DEFINITIONS) OF ARTICLE 1 (ADMINISTRATION) OF CHAPTER 4 (PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS 2001, AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO ELECTRICAL BICYCLES

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that a Class 1 Electrical Assisted Bicycle is powered by human power because it requires the operator to pedal in order to receive assistance; and

WHEREAS, a Class 1 Electrical Assisted Bicycle provides assistance only up to a speed of 20 mph, which is a speed reachable by able-bodied persons on a traditional bicycle; and

WHEREAS, a Class 1 Electrical Assisted Bicycle is the functional equivalent of a traditional bicycle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. Section 101 (Definitions) of Article 1 (Administration) of Chapter 4 (Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

4.1.101: DEFINITIONS:

~~As used in this chapter,~~ The following terms shall have the meanings designated, **shall apply to the whole of this chapter, and shall not be modified by the definitions of chapter 2 of this code**, unless the context specifically indicates otherwise or unless the meanings are excluded by express provision:

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ELECTRICAL ASSISTED BICYCLE: A vehicle having two or three wheels, fully operable pedals, and an electric motor not exceeding seven hundred fifty watts of power. Electrical assisted bicycles are further required to conform to one of three classes as follows:

A. CLASS 1 ELECTRICAL ASSISTED BICYCLE: An electrical assisted bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling

and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of twenty miles per hour.

B. CLASS 2 ELECTRICAL ASSISTED BICYCLE: An electrical assisted bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance regardless of whether the rider is pedaling but ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of twenty miles per hour.

C. CLASS 3 ELECTRICAL ASSISTED BICYCLE: An electrical assisted bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of twenty-eight miles per hour.

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NONMOTORIZED USE:

A. A nonmotorized use shall include Class 1 Electrical Assisted Bicycles.

B. A nonmotorized use shall not be deemed use of a motorized vehicle.

C. Class 2 Electrical Assisted Bicycles and Class 3 Electrical Assisted Bicycles are motorized uses.

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Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect as of July 1, 2025, and after its final adoption and publication as provided by Charter.

Section 4. Council deems it appropriate that this ordinance be published by title and summary prepared by the City Clerk and that this ordinance be available for inspection and acquisition in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced, read, passed on first reading and ordered published this ____
day of _____, 2025.

Finally passed: _____

Randy Helms, Council President

Mayor's Action:

- Approved on _____.
- Disapproved on _____, based on the following objections:

Blessing A. Mobolade, Mayor

Council Action After Disapproval:

- Council did not act to override the Mayor's veto.
- Finally adopted on a vote of _____, on _____.
- Council action on _____ failed to override the Mayor's veto.

Randy Helms, Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk