

City of Salem

FIRST PASSAGE

In the year Two Thousand and Eighteen

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Traffic

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 42, Article I, Section 1 – Definitions is hereby amended by adding a new definition as follows:

“Skateboard. A vehicle propelled by human power and gravity consisting of material or portion of material formed in a thin firm sheet with wheels attached to the underside.”

Section 2. Chapter 42 is hereby further amended by adding the following new section:

“Section 43B – Use of Skateboards on Streets and Sidewalks.

- A. Operation and Use.** Individuals using skateboards shall follow the same local ordinances and state laws that pertain to the operation of a bicycle on City streets and sidewalks. Individuals using skateboards shall be subject to all local ordinances and state laws regarding damage to or destruction of public or private property.
- B. Helmet Required.** Any person 16 years of age or younger operating a skateboard or riding as a passenger on any such skateboard on a public way, bicycle path or on any other public right-of-way shall wear a helmet. Such helmet shall fit the person's head and be secured by straps at all times while operating or riding upon a skateboard.
- C. Operation and Use Prohibited.** No person shall use, and no parent or guardian of a minor shall knowingly permit a minor to use any skateboard or other manually-propelled wheeled vehicle, collectively referred to as skateboards herein, on any public sidewalk or on any publicly or privately owned property on which signs have been posted prohibiting the use of such skateboards on such property
- D. Penalty.** Any person who violates the provisions of this section may be penalized by noncriminal disposition as provided under MGL c. 40, § 21D, as amended. This section shall be enforced by a police officer of the city of Salem. The penalty for a first violation shall be a written warning, and \$20 for a second and all subsequent violations.”

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter

In City Council June 14, 2018
Adopted for first passage

ATTEST:
SN - 07/05/18

ILENE SIMONS
CITY CLERK