

ORDINANCE NO. 2015- 89

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 373.10, ENTITLED "BICYCLE OR SKATEBOARD RIDING ON SIDEWALK", AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Kent wishes to amend Section 373.10, entitled "Bicycle or Skateboard Riding On Sidewalk" so as to clarify what wheeled devices are and are not allowed on business district sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kent wishes to clarify that bicycles are allowed on business district sidewalks and that skateboards and other wheeled devices are not permitted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, at least three-fourths (3/4) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. The Council does hereby accept the amendment to Section 373.10, so that the new title will be "Skateboard or other Wheeled Devices on Sidewalk" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Kent as shown on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: 05/20/2015
DATE

MAYOR AND PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

I hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2015- 89 was duly enacted this 20th day of
May, 2015, by the Council of the City of Kent, Ohio.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

EXHIBIT "A"

373.10 SKATEBOARD OR OTHER WHEELED DEVICES ON SIDEWALK.

(a) No person shall operate any skateboard or other wheeled device any of which are designed as a toy or for amusement of the rider, upon a sidewalk within a business district or upon a sidewalk where signs are erected prohibiting such operation. Bicycles are permitted on sidewalks within a business district and the use of which are regulated under the applicable sections of this code.

No person shall operate a bicycle, skateboard or other wheeled device as described above, on any sidewalk in a reckless manner which endangers pedestrian users of the sidewalk.

No person under fourteen years of age shall ride upon the street when sidewalks are available, outside a business district or upon a sidewalk where signs are erected prohibiting such operation.

(Ord. 1987-24. Passed 3-18-87.)

(b) Whoever violates any provision of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.