CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOPPE COUNCIL BILL NO. 12 ORDINANCE NO. 1764 Series 2023

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17-36 OF THE WHEAT RIDGE CODE OF LAWS TO ADDRESS THE USE OF MOBILITY DEVICES IN CONSERVATION AREAS

WHEREAS, the City of Wheat Ridge (the "City") is a home rule municipality having all powers conferred by Article XX of the Colorado Constitution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its home rule authority and C.R.S. § 31-23-101, the City, acting through its City Council (the "Council"), is authorized to adopt ordinances for the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Council previously adopted Code Section 17-36 of the Wheat Ridge Code of Laws (the "Code") concerning conservation areas; and

WHEREAS, the Council now wishes to further amend Section 17-36 of the Code to address the use of mobility devices for persons with disabilities.

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

Section 1. Section 17-36 is amended to read:

Roller blades, roller skates, skateboards, and bicycles are not allowed in the conservation area, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MOBILITY DEVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

- <u>Section 2.</u> <u>Severability, Conflicting Ordinances Repealed.</u> If any section, subsection or clause of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections and clauses shall not be affected thereby. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.
- **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after final publication, as provided by Section 5.11 of the Charter.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND ADOPTED on first reading by a vote of 8 to 0 on this 22nd day of May 2023, ordered published in full in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Wheat Ridge, and Public Hearing and consideration on final passage set for June 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 7500 West 29th Avenue, Wheat Ridge, Colorado.

READ, ADOPTED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED on second and final reading by a vote of 7 to 0, this 12th day of June 2023.

SIGNED by the Mayor on this 12th day of June 2023.

Bud Starker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephen Kirkpatrick, City Clerk

Approved as to Form

Gerald E. Dahl, City Attorney

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