Ordinance 2012-6

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA AUTHORIZING USE OF GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS

WHEREAS, citizens of City of Rockport, Indiana have expressed an interest in the operation of golf carts on the City streets;

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rockport deems it in the best interest of the citizens to allow such operation subject to restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. <u>Definition</u>. A Golf Cart is hereby defined as a four-wheeled motor vehicle originally and specifically designed and intended to transport one or more individuals and golf clubs for the purpose of playing the game of golf on a golf course.
- 2. <u>Authorization and Requirements of Operation</u>. Golf Carts are hereby authorized to be operated on all streets and alleys under the jurisdiction of the City of Rockport with the exception of any highway designated as part of the state highway system, which includes State Road 66, and with the exception of Fifth Street extending from the north city limit to its intersection with Main Street, the entire length of Sycamore Street, and the entire length of Lincoln Avenue, all within the limits of the City of Rockport, other than to cross such state highway or streets as they intersect with local streets under the jurisdiction of the City of Rockport. Each owner/operator of a Golf Cart pursuant to the terms of this ordinance must comply with the following requirements:
 - A. Proof of liability insurance at the time of application;
 - B. Possession of a valid license to operate a motor vehicle;

- C. Golf Cart equipped with headlamps, tail lamps, rear stop lamps, exterior or interior rear view mirrors, brakes, amber flashing lamp, and slow moving vehicle emblem or placard;
- D. Subject to inspection and approval by an officer of the Rockport Police Department;
- E. Subject to all traffic regulations applicable to the operation of motor vehicles;
- F. Permit required from the Rockport Police Department and payment of an annual permit fee of \$20.00, with the permits expiring and subject to renewal each December 31; and
- G. Decals affixed to the left rear of the Golf Cart in a manner to be visible from the rear of the vehicle and front driver's side quarter panel.
- Annual Permit Fees. Each annual permit fee shall be deposited in the General Fund of City of Rockport.
- 4. <u>Penalty</u>. In addition to penalties provided by law for violation of traffic laws and regulations, any person who violates this Ordinance shall be fined in the sum of \$25.00 for the first offense, \$50.00 for the second offense and \$100.00 for each subsequent offense, which fines should be deposited in the General Fund of the City of Rockport, Indiana.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Rockport, Indiana on the 5th day of November, 2012 by unanimous vote by all council persons present.

Common Covincil:

Chris Brown

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Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Rockport, Indiana on the 5th day of November, 2012 at $_{\bigcirc}$ o'clock p.m.

Susie Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved and signed by me this 5th day of November, 2012 at <u>o</u> o'clock p.m.

Harold Goffinet, Mayor
City of Rockport