

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-**

**AN ORDINANCE** relating to the regulation of Truck Routes; amending Sections 8.40.010 and 8.40.080 of the Yakima Municipal Code regarding the established weight of qualifying trucks and the associated violation-penalty.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has previously adopted ordinances establishing criteria of rated capacity of trucks required to utilize truck routes within the City of Yakima and the associated violation-penalty for noncompliance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that such Sections 8.40.010 and 8.40.080 YMC should be amended to better define the rated capacity for trucks required to travel exclusively on established truck routes and the imposing violation-penalty for not adhering to such truck routes; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that such amendment is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Yakima and will help to preserve the integrity of arterial roads not built to withstand the excessive weight of such trucks; now, therefore

### **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF YAKIMA:**

**Section 1.** YMC 8.40.010 Definitions, is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### **8.40.010 Definitions.**

For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meaning given in this section. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular number, and words in the singular number include the plural number. "Shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory:

- A. "City" is the city of Yakima.
- B. "Deviating truck" is a truck which leaves and departs from a truck route while traveling inside the city.
- C. "Person" is any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization of any kind.
- D. "Truck" is any vehicle designed or operated for the transportation of property, and whose body weight or whose combined body and load weight or whose rated capacity exceeds twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds.
- E. "Truck route" is a way over certain streets, as designated in this chapter, over and along which trucks coming into and going out of the city must operate. (Ord. 2018-024 § 1 (Exh. A), 2018).

**Section 2.** YMC 8.40.080 Violation-Penalty, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**8.40.080 Violation - Penalty.**

Violation of or failure to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be a traffic infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250.00.

(Ord. 2018-024 § 1 (Exh. A), 2018).

**Section 3.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law and by the City Charter.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL**, signed and approved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

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Patricia Byers, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk

Publication Date: \_\_\_\_\_