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### **Zionsville Town Council passes golf cart ordinance**

The Zionsville Town Council voted 5-0 today passing an ordinance permitting and regulating golf carts on certain public streets in the Town. The ordinance allows the legal use of golf carts by those with a valid operator's permit on select approved streets within the urban district of Zionsville.

The ordinance takes effect on Jan. 1, 2020.

Starting Jan. 2, 2020, the Zionsville Police Department will issue registration permits for golf carts that meet the requirements. The annual registration fee is \$100 per golf cart and must be renewed on an annual basis. Revenue generated from these fees will be deposited into the Police Operating Fund to offset the costs of the program.

In the interest of public safety, golf carts are prohibited on certain streets, including major thoroughfares such as 106<sup>th</sup> Street, 116<sup>th</sup> Street, County Road 300 South, West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, County Road 975 East, Zionsville Road, Whitestown Road, Willow Road, Willow Street and Ford Road, in addition to other streets.

**Rules for operating on a public roadway:**

Golf carts may not be operated on prohibited streets as listed in the ordinance.

Driver must have a valid driver's license and proof of financial responsibility.

Driver must have a valid registration permit issued by ZPD.

Driver must obey all driver's licensing requirements and Indiana traffic laws and yield to the right of way of pedestrians and bicycles.

Driver may not have more than the number of passengers for which the golf cart was originally designed to accommodate.

All carts must have the minimum safety equipment: headlights and brake lights, rearview mirror, slow-moving vehicle sign and horn.

Violators of the golf cart ordinance will be fined by the Zionsville Police Department.

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