

ORDINANCE NO. 5507

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 11 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, CHAPTER 11-8 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT – OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF MEMPHIS

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Memphis and Shelby County to encourage and promote the safety of pedestrians, bicyclists and motor vehicle drivers within the boundaries of the City and County;

WHEREAS, the Memphis City Council strives to keep our laws current and relevant to best serve our citizens;

WHEREAS, Livable Memphis worked with the Memphis Center for Independent Living, Healthy Memphis Common Table, and numerous other community partners and stakeholders on a comprehensive multi-faceted strategy to make our streets safer for all users including updating bicycle and pedestrian related traffic violations; and outreach and education of law enforcement and the general public;

WHEREAS, according to a Livable Memphis report comparing 21 peer metropolitan cities, the City of Memphis often has the lowest fees associated with bicycle and pedestrian related traffic violations;

WHEREAS, City of Memphis has historically ranked as one of the most dangerous cities for pedestrians and child pedestrians;

WHEREAS, in order to make our community more attractive, competitive and safer for all residents, the City of Memphis has recently invested in bicycle and pedestrian safety infrastructure and is experiencing new levels of users of active transportation (walking and biking), there is a strong need to encourage safe and appropriate behavior and adherence to the “rules of the road” for all users;

NOW THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS,

That Title 11, Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 11-8 Administration and Enforcement, of the Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 11-8-5 Violation Forfeitures.

<u>Section #</u>	<u>Description (see appendix for full description)</u>	<u>New Amnt.</u>	<u>Prev Amnt.</u>
11-4-9	Obedience to Safety Patrols	\$50.00	\$15.00
11-12-8	Pedestrian-control signal	\$20.00	\$15.00
11-12-13	Obedience to Devices	\$50.00	\$15.00
11-16-18	Driving within a sidewalk area	\$50.00	\$25.00
11-16-19	Obstructing intersection or crosswalk	\$50.00	\$25.00
11-24-4	Equipment – Lights and Reflectors	\$50.00	\$15.00
11-24-5	Equipment – Break	\$20.00	Unknown

11-24-7	Riding on Roadways	\$20.00	Unknown
11-24-8	Obedience to Traffic Control Devices	\$50.00	Unknown
11-24-9	Bike Lanes	\$20.00	\$15.00
11-24-12	Right-of-way to Pedestrians; passing pedestrians	\$50.00	Unknown
11-24-13	Clinging to moving vehicles	\$50.00	Unknown
11-24-15	Racing and endurance contests	\$20.00	Unknown
11-24-16	Carrying articles on bicycles	\$20.00	Unknown
11-24-17	Child Bicycle Safety	\$20.00	Unknown
11-28-1	Pedestrians – Applicability	\$20.00	\$5.00
11-28-3	Right-of-Way in Crosswalks	\$50.00	\$5.00
11-28-4	Crossing At Other Than Crosswalks	\$40.00	\$5.00
11-28-5	Pedestrians – Walking on Roadways	\$20.00	\$5.00
11-28-8	Pedestrian right-of-way on sidewalks	\$30.00	Unknown

SECTION 2, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the funds generated by these forfeitures be directed to the City of Memphis Department of Engineers to be used for bicycle and pedestrian safety programming under the guidance of the City of Memphis Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator.

SECTION 3, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby severable. If any of these sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or parts is held unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been approved by the Council, signed by the Chairman of the Council, certified and delivered to the Office of the Mayor in writing by the Comptroller, and become effective as otherwise provided by law.

THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE
5507 PASSED
1st Reading 5-7-13
2nd Reading 5-21-13
3rd Reading 6-4-13
Approved Edmund F. Kelly
Chairman of Council
Date Signed: 6/18/2013
Approved: [Signature]
Mayor, City of Memphis
Date Signed: 6/24/2013

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy, and said document was adopted by the Council of the City of Memphis as above indicated and approved by the Mayor.

Valerie C. Sipes
Comptroller