



ORDINANCE NO. 414

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER ISLAND, MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 14, SECTION 14.3 "BICYCLES"; CREATING SECTION 14-7 "REGULATION OF MICROMOBILITY DEVICES" OF THE TOWN CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Jupiter Island, Martin County Florida ("Town") is a duly constituted municipality having such power and authority conferred upon it by the Florida Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town has the authority, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2(b) of the Florida Constitution, and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, to adopt such regulations as it deems appropriate to further the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town, pursuant to Florida Senate Bill 462 (2025), has the authority to adopt ordinances governing the operation of micromobility devices, regulate rider age and ID requirements, and implement other regulations for the safe and lawful operation of micromobility devices within the Town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §316.2128, Florida Statutes, municipalities are authorized to regulate the safe operation of micromobility devices and motorized scooters within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, the Town deems it necessary to regulate the use of micromobility devices.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER ISLAND, MARTIN COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Whereas clauses are incorporated herein as the finding of fact and conclusion of law of the Town Commission.

Section 2. The Code of Ordinances of the Town is hereby amended at Chapter 14, "Traffic and Motor Vehicles" as follows:

Sec. 14-3. - Bicycles.

(a) Every bicycle while in use on any street in the town shall be provided with a suitable bell or horn.

(b) No person shall ride a bicycle upon any sidewalk or parkway or park lawn in the town.

(c) Bicycle riders shall observe all directional vehicular traffic regulations.

~~(d) No person shall operate or use a bicycle upon any street, road or bicycle path in the town unless such bicycle is equipped with one rear reflector and one fluorescent flag and mast.~~

(d) Every bicycle in use between sunset and sunrise shall be equipped with a functioning lamp on the front of the bicycle where it can exhibit a white light visible from a distance of no less than 500 feet from the front and a lamp and reflector on the rear of each exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 600 feet to the rear. The person operating the bicycle shall deploy the lamp with the white light at all times between sunset and sunrise.

Sec. 14-7. – Regulation of Micromobility Devices.

The Town finds that the operation of micromobility devices, to include but not limited to, motorized scooters and e-bikes, on public streets and sidewalks presents potential safety risks to operators, pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists. It is the intent of this section to regulate the operation of such devices within the Town in a manner consistent with state law, while ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of the public. This section is not intended to conflict with state law but to supplement it with reasonable local regulations permitted by §316.2128, Florida Statutes

(a) **Definitions.** *Electronic bicycle or E-Bike* shall have the same definition as provided under §316.003(23), Fla. Stat.

Electronic personal assistive mobility devices or micromobility device means any small, motorized transportation device designed for personal use, including but not limited to scooters, hoverboards, or similar devices, excluding E-Bikes and ADA-compliant mobility devices or as otherwise provided under §316.003, Fla. Stat.

(b) **Minimum Age Requirement.** It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of sixteen (16) years to operate an electronic bicycle on any public street, sidewalk, park, path, or other right-of way within the Town.

(c) **Identification Requirement.** All operators of electronic bicycles must carry a valid government-issued identification card while operating such

devices and must present the same upon request by any law enforcement officer.

- (d) **Equipment Modification.** Every electronic bicycle in use between sunset and sunrise shall be equipped with a functioning lamp on the front of the bicycle which can exhibit a white light visible from a distance of no less than 500 feet from the front and a lamp and reflector on the rear of each exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 600 feet to the rear. The person operating the electric bicycle shall deploy the lamp with the white light at all times between sunset and sunrise.
- (e) **Prohibited Devices.** The operation of all other electronic personal assistive mobility devices or micro-mobility devices is prohibited within the Town's limits, with the sole exception of ADA-compliant mobility devices used by individuals with disabilities. No person shall modify or cause to be modified the factory settings or specifications of an electronic bike for the purposes of increasing its maximum speed or power output beyond manufacturer or statutory limits.

Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

Section 4. Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict. All other ordinances of the Town of Jupiter Island, Florida, or parts thereof which conflict with this or any part of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Codification. This Ordinance shall be codified and made part of the official Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jupiter Island.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval, as provided by law.

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ORDINANCE NO. 414 PASSED UPON FIRST READING THE 20th DAY OF November, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED UPON SECOND READING FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS 16 DAY OF December, 2025.

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