

## **CHAPTER 503. CITY HEAVY TRAFFIC ROUTES.**

**503.01. Heavy Traffic Routes.** Pursuant to Section 349.17, Wisconsin Statutes, the following streets are designated as Heavy Traffic Routes:

- (a) U.S. Highway 2
- (b) State Highway 13
- (c) 22<sup>nd</sup> Street West from STH 13 to Farm Road
- (d) Farm Road from 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. West to South end of Xcel Energy Property
- (e) Old U.S. Highway 2
- (f) North Prentice Avenue
- (g) St. Claire Street between North Third Avenue East and North Prentice Avenue
- (h) North Willis Avenue
- (i) State Highway 137
- (j) State Highway 112
- (k) Sanborn Avenue
- (l) 6th Street East from Ellis Avenue to Stuntz Avenue
- (m) Beaser Avenue from U.S. Highway 2 to Binsfield Road
- (n) Main Street West from Sanborn Avenue to 17th Avenue West
- (o) 17th Avenue West from U.S. Highway 2 to 6th Street West
- (p) Third Street West from Sanborn Avenue to Beaser Avenue MacArthur Avenue from U.S. Highway 2 to 4th Street West
- (q) 3rd Street West from MacArthur Avenue to 9th Avenue West 4th Street West from MacArthur Avenue to 9th Avenue West
- (r) Stuntz Avenue from U.S. Highway 2 to 6th Street East
- (s) North 11th Avenue East
- (t) County Highway A
- (u) Woodbury Lane
- (v) Jones Road

(w) Knight Road from Jones Road to site address 1901 Knight Road (i.e., City of Ashland Wastewater Treatment Plant)

(x) 22nd Avenue East from U.S. Highway 2 to 7th Street

(y) 6th Street East from 22nd Avenue East to 26th Avenue East / Toll Road

(z) 26th Avenue East from U.S. Highway 2 to 6th Street East / Toll Road Toll Road from 6th Street East/26th Avenue East to Sum Road

(aa) Industrial Park Road

(bb) Sum Road

(cc) Rail Drive

(dd) North 6th Avenue West

(ee) Binsfield Road

(ff) Maple Lane

Said descriptions of Heavy Traffic Routes may be changed as circumstances warrant upon action by Council, appropriate notice thereof, and the erection of signs as provided for in Section 503.05 of this chapter.

**503.02. Definition.** Within this ordinance, heavy traffic means a vehicle having a combined weight of vehicle and load in excess of 20,000 pounds (ten tons).

**503.03. Designated Routes.** All heavy traffic shall operate only on the designated heavy traffic routes. Heavy traffic is allowed off the heavy traffic routes only for the purpose of obtaining orders for supplies or moving or delivering supplies or commodities to or from any place of business or residence which has an entrance on any street or highway provided such heavy traffic uses the shortest and most direct route to and from the City Heavy Traffic Routes for the above purposes. It is not intended by this chapter to restrict use of routed state trunk highways by heavy traffic off the City Heavy Traffic Routes.

**503.04. Director of Public Works.** The Director of Public Works or his/her designee may reduce the load on any of the streets on City Heavy Traffic Routes when the construction of the streets or the condition thereof, in their judgment, warrants such action.

**503.05. Heavy Traffic Routes to be Marked.** Appropriate signs shall be erected to give notice of the designation of streets listed in Section 503.01 as heavy traffic routes. Whenever the maximum load shall be reduced, signs shall be erected indicating the maximum load permissible.

**503.06. Vehicles Exempt.** This chapter does not apply to vehicles owned by schools, federal, state, or municipal government, or political subdivisions thereof, when actually engaged in governmental functions nor to public and private service vehicles engaged in job function.

**503.07. Permits.** Two day permits may be purchased from the Department of Public Works for the

purpose of allowing a vehicle over 20,000 pounds (ten tons) to travel on streets not designated as heavy traffic routes. Permits shall be issued in the sole discretion of the Department of Public Works upon a showing by the applicant that there is a substantial need for the permit. The permit holder shall be responsible to the City for the full cost of repair for any damage done to the City streets or highways caused by permitted use. Cost of said permit shall be set through the comprehensive fee schedule.

**503.08. Penalties.** Any person who violates any provisions of this chapter may be fined not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$200.00. In addition to any fines or penalties, the person violating this chapter shall be responsible to the City of Ashland for the full cost of repair for any damage done to the City streets or highways by said heavy traffic.

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