

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ ORDINANCE 16-2026 AMENDING CHAPTER 111, SECTION 50, ENTITLED MOTOR VEHICLES PROHIBITED AND SPEED LIMIT ESTABLISHED, OF THE CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Northfield recognizes the proliferation of Bicycles, Low-Speed Electric Bicycles, Low Speed Electric Scooters, Motorized Bicycles, Motorized Scooters, Motorized Skateboards and Hoverboards and other Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Northfield seeks to promote and establish guidelines for the safe and responsible use of Bicycles, Low-Speed Electric Bicycles, Low Speed Electric Scooters, Motorized Bicycles, Motorized Scooters, Motorized Skateboards and Hoverboards and other Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey that Chapter 111, Section 50 of the Code of the City of Northfield is hereby amended as follows (added text underlined; deleted text stricken):

§ 111-50. Motor vehicles prohibited and Speed Limit Established.

"Motor-driven vehicles" includes, but ~~are~~ is not limited to, minibikes, motor scooters, go-carts, swamp buggies, snowmobiles, low-speed electric bicycles as defined in NJ Rev Stat § 39:1-1, et seq., motorized bicycles as defined in NJ Rev Stat § 39:1-1, et seq., motorcycles, and any other similar type of motor-driven vehicle as defined in NJ Rev Stat § 39:1-1, et seq., as amended from time to time, but shall not include bicycles, hoverboards and other electric personal assistive mobility devices, low speed electric scooters, motorized scooters, and motorized skateboards ~~any of the devices defined in~~ as defined in Article 1A or motor-operated conveyances for physically handicapped persons. The operation and/or use of motor-driven vehicles shall be prohibited along the ~~bicycle and pedestrian~~ Northfield Bike Path located in the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, between Dolphin Avenue to the City of Northfield/ City of Linwood corporate line.

A. The operation and/or use ~~of a Motorized Bicycle~~ of any other type of motor-driven vehicle and/or motor vehicle shall be prohibited along the Northfield Bike ~~bicycle p~~ Path, located within the City of Northfield.

B. ~~The operation and/or use of Class 1 and Class 2 low speed electric bicycles are permitted along the bicycle path at a speed not to exceed ten (10) miles per hour.~~ The operation and/or use of bicycles, hoverboards and other electric

personal assistive mobility devices, low speed electric scooters, motorized scooters, and motorized skateboards as defined in Article 1A or motor-operated conveyances for physically handicapped persons, are permitted along the Northfield Bike Path at a speed not to exceed ten (10) miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

- 1) This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in the manner prescribed by law.
- 2) Repealer. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.
- 3) Severability. If any Section or part of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or illegal in any Court of competent jurisdiction then said part is severable from the Ordinance as a whole and the remaining sections or parts of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

The above Ordinance was introduced and passed on its first reading at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Northfield, New Jersey held on October 6, 2026, and was taken up for a second reading, public hearing and final passage at a meeting of said Council held October 20, 2026, in Council Chambers, City Hall, Northfield, New Jersey.

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