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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Subject: Amendments to City of Key West Code of Ordinances,
Chapter 18—Recreational Rental Vehicles
Chapter 70—Traffic and Vehicles

ACTION STATEMENT

Amend the City of Key West Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, to change the definitions to mirror the State of Florida traffic laws and add additional requirements and clarifications for businesses that rent Recreational Rental Vehicles.

Amend the City of Key West Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70, to change the definitions to mirror the State of Florida traffic laws and promulgate additional rules and regulations for recreational vehicles.

BACKGROUND

City staff has been diligently working on a revamp of the City's Code of Ordinances as it pertains to Recreational Rental Vehicles and the operation of said devices by both rental customers and the public-at-large. The City Commission approved the First Reading of the amendments on February 17, 2021, with direction to City staff to continue working and address certain items.

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES SINCE FIRST READING

- Sec. 6-116. - Definitions.
The State of Florida definition of 'autocycle' was incorporated throughout.
- Sec. 18-356. One-Year period to establish numbers of recreational rental vehicles.
Providing for a period of one year for the Planning and Engineering Departments to conduct a traffic study to establish the maximum number of recreational rental vehicle units operating on city streets and accompanying moratorium.
- Sec. 18-358. –Traffic impacts on level of service and nuisance prevention.
Clarification of the requirements for the mandatory traffic study provided by the business applicant.
- Sec. 18-381. – Instruction, Training, and Operations.
Additional requirements for Businesses in order for the City to address emergencies, special events, obstruction of public right-of-way, and damaged, and/or non-functioning devices.
- Sec. 18-387. – Insurance Requirements.
Insurance requirements for all businesses which provide motorized recreational rental vehicles and providing for a period of six (6) months for all businesses in operation prior to the effective date of the ordinance.

PROPOSED CHANGES AFTER JUNE 2, 2021 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

- Sec. 18-354. Permit Required; application; franchise fees. Providing for future modification to Recreational Rental Vehicle fees to be made by Resolution of the City Commission.
- Sec. 18-381. – Instruction, Training, and Operations.
Amend 'owner' to read 'Owner and/or designee'. Clarifying that the Ordinance does not create any rights.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the amendments to the City of Key West Code of Ordinances be adopted with the understanding that the overhaul of Chapter 18 and Chapter 70, as the chapters pertain to recreational vehicles and related activities, is a work in progress and that the Commission will be provided quarterly updates on the progress of the traffic study.