

RESOLUTION NO. 20-032

**AN RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST,  
FLORIDA, DIRECTING AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A  
ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (180) DAY MORATORIUM  
ON THE ISSUANCE OF ANY NEW PERMIT, LICENSE,  
FRANCHISE OR SIMILAR AUTHORIZATION RELATED TO  
MOTORIZED AND NON-MOTORIZED COMMERCIAL RENTAL  
VEHICLES THAT MAKE PRIMARY USE OF CITY  
STREETS IN THE OPERATION OF THEIR BUSINESSES;  
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR  
REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING  
FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the City of Key West is a small and extremely dense island comprised of approximately 4.2 square miles, plus an additional 1.5 square miles within the city boundaries on the northern part of neighboring Stock Island.

WHEREAS, the City of Key West regulates permits, licenses, franchises, and grants other authorizations and land uses under the provisions of its Code of Ordinances and Comprehensive Plan for vehicle-based businesses which make primary use of city streets and sidewalks.

WHEREAS, the City of Key West has seen an increase in the level of traffic from commercial rental vehicles such as electric scooters, mopeds, electric cars, bicycles, electric bicycles, vehicles for hire and other motorized and non-motorized modes of transportation; and

WHEREAS, this increase in vehicles is especially apparent in

Key West's dense nationally recognized historic district; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is concerned that the increase in such vehicles and related congestion has adversely affected the health, safety and welfare of the City, its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, it has been ten years since the City commenced a traffic study; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that a comprehensive review is necessary to determine traffic safety, capacity, volume, circulation, conflicts between vehicular and non-vehicular traffic for shared space, methods for reducing impacts of traffic in residential neighborhoods, and similar issues; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the imposition of a temporary moratorium on the issuance of any additional licenses, permits, franchises or similar authorizations for motorized and non-motorized recreational rental vehicles that make primary use of City streets and sidewalks in the operation of their businesses serves a valid public purpose and protects the health, safety and welfare of the public, while maintaining the status quo; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the City Manager and City Attorney shall

prepare appropriate ordinances to enact a temporary moratorium on issuance of any new or additional licenses, permits, franchises or similar authorizations for motorized and non-motorized recreational rental vehicles that make primary use of City streets and sidewalks in the operation of their businesses.

Section 2: The temporary moratorium shall be enacted by ordinance and be in effect for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the effective date of the Ordinance. At a minimum, the purpose of the temporary moratorium shall be to allow the City an opportunity to comprehensively review traffic safety, capacity, vehicle types and related congestion in order to appropriately provide for the public's health, safety and welfare.

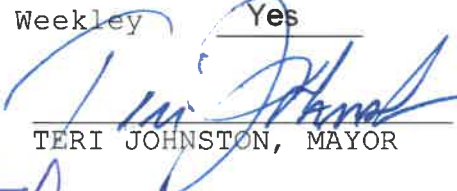
Section 3: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 5th day of February, 2020.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on 6th day of February, 2020.

Filed with the Clerk on February 6th, 2020.

Mayor Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Gregory Davila	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Yes</u>

  
TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK