

ORDINANCE No. 2025-35

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, CREATING ARTICLE VII OF CHAPTER 44, TITLED “MICRO-MOBILITY DEVICES”; RELATED TO THE REGULATION OF MICRO-MOBILITY DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Doral (“City”) finds it in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare to regulate the operation of micro-mobility devices within City rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, due in part to advocacy on behalf of the Mayor and City Council, the 2025 Florida legislature amended Florida Statute §316.2128, to provide municipalities with greater authority to regulate micromobility devices on their rights of way; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statute §316.2128 authorizes municipalities to regulate the operation of micro-mobility devices and motorized scooters within their respective jurisdictions, subject to uniform traffic control laws; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Code §2-98.3 establishes countywide regulations for shared mobility devices, which municipalities may further regulate within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, during the August City Council meeting, the City Council instructed the City Attorney to draft legislation providing for age and safety equipment, and for a schedule of fines for violations; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Doral desires to establish reasonable regulations regarding the safe use of such devices on public rights-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. Amending Chapter 44, Creating Article VII

CHAPTER 44 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

ARTICLE VII. – MICRO-MOBILITY DEVICES

Sec. 44-366. – Definitions.

For purposes of this Article, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) Micro-mobility device shall mean any motorized scooter, bicycle equipped with an electric motor, or other personal transportation device powered by an electric motor, as defined in F.S. §316.003(38) and (45), and Miami-Dade County Code §2-98.3.
- (b) Motorized scooter means any vehicle powered by a motor having not more than two wheels, no seat or saddle for the rider, and designed to be stood upon when operated.
- (c) Shared mobility device means a micro-mobility device made available for short-term rentals to the general public, including through electronic kiosks or mobile applications.
- (d) Operator means any person who uses or rides a micro-mobility device on a public street, sidewalk, or other public right-of-way.

Sec. 44-367. – Use on City Rights-of-Way.

(a) Micro-mobility devices may be operated on City streets, sidewalks, and bicycle paths subject to the limitations set forth in Florida Statutes, the Miami-Dade County Code, and this Article.

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(b) Micro-mobility devices and motorized scooters used on City sidewalks shall not exceed sixteen (16) miles per hour (mph).

(c) Operation shall be permitted only where bicycles are lawfully permitted, unless otherwise prohibited by posted signage or specific City regulations.

(d) Operators shall yield to pedestrians at all times and exercise due care.

Sec. 44-368. – Safety Equipment.

(a) Every operator of a micro-mobility device or motorized scooter shall use the following safety equipment:

1. A lamp exhibiting a white light visible from at least 500 feet to the front, and a lamp and reflector exhibiting a red light visible from at least 600 feet to the rear, when operating from sunset to sunrise.
2. Functioning brakes capable of stopping the device safely.

(b) Every operator of a micro-mobility device or motorized scooter shall wear a properly fitted and fastened bicycle helmet meeting federal safety standards, consistent with F.S. §316.2065.

Sec. 44-369 – Minimum Age Requirements.

- (a) All persons under the age of ~~15~~ 16 years shall operate a motorized scooter or micro-mobility device upon a public right-of-way within the City.
- (b) Persons who have obtained the age of fifteen (15) years of age, may operate a motorized scooter or micro-mobility device upon a public right-of-way within the City's limits, provided that they have on their person a valid, Florida restricted driver's license.
- (c) All persons sixteen (16) years and older, operating a motorized scooter or micro-mobility device upon a public right-of-way within the City's limits shall carry on their person a valid governmental issued ID, that identifies the person by name, age and provides a photograph.
- ~~(d) Operators 16 years of age or older may operate such devices, subject to compliance with this Article.~~

Sec. 44-370. – Enforcement and Penalties.

(a) Violations of this Article shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$250.00 per violation, enforceable by the City's Code Compliance Department or the Doral Police Department.

(b) Devices operated in violation of this Article may be impounded by the City until compliance is achieved.

Section 3. **Conflicts.** All ordinances, or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and the same, are hereby repealed.

Section 4. **Severability.** If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 5. **Incorporation into the Code.** It is the intention of the Mayor and the City Council, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Doral, and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions.

Section 6. **Effective Date** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Council on second reading.

The Prime Sponsor for this Ordinance is Councilman Rafael Pineyro. Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso requested to Co-Sponsor the item.

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by _____ upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	_____
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	_____
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	_____
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	_____
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED on FIRST READING this 10 day of September, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on SECOND READING this 8 day of October, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

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CITY ATTORNEY

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