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**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW,  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, this 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of December, 2025.**

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by authority of the President  
and Board of Trustees of the  
Village of Forest View, Cook  
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**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/11-1517 and 11-1518) provides for the regulation of low-speed electric bicycles and electric scooters;

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Forest View recognizes the growing use of such devices for transportation and recreation and seeks to ensure the safety of users and the general public;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Forest View, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Village Code Amendment.** Title 6 of the Forest View Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding the following Chapter 11, “Electric Bicycles and Electric Scooters”:

**Chapter 11. Electric Bicycles and Electric Scooters.**

**6-11-1: Definitions.**

- A. Electric Bicycle shall mean a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts, falling into Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3, as defined under 625 ILCS 5/1-140.10.
- B. Electric Scooter shall mean a low-speed electric scooter as defined under 625 ILCS 5/1-140.12, operated by both electric motor and human power, with a maximum speed of 20 miles per hour.

**6-11-2: Age Restrictions.**

- A. Operators of electric scooters must be at least 18 years of age.
- B. Operators of Class 3 electric bicycles must be at least 16 years of age.

**6-11-3: Equipment Requirements.**

- A. Front-facing white light visible from at least 500 feet during darkness.
- B. Rear red reflector or red light visible from at least 100 to 600 feet.
- C. A working brake capable of making a braked wheel skid on dry, level pavement.
- D. Manufacturer's classification label (for e-bikes) indicating class, motor wattage, and top assisted speed.
- E. No sirens or whistles shall be installed or used.

**6-11-4: Permitted Areas of Operation.**

Electric bicycles and electric scooters may operate only on Village streets with a posted speed limit of 20 miles per hour or less.

**6-11-5: Parking.**

Electric bicycles and electric scooters may be parked in areas where traditional bicycles are permitted to park, provided they do not:

- (1) Block pedestrian walkways or curb ramps.
- (2) Obstruct driveways, public building entrances, or fire hydrants.
- (3) Interfere with accessible path-of-travel under the Americans With Disabilities Act.

**6-11-6: Prohibited Conduct.**

- A. No person shall operate an electric bicycle or electric scooter under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- B. No operator shall carry additional passengers, unless the vehicle is designed or such operation.
- C. Operators must maintain at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
- D. No person shall tow, pull, or push any person or object while operating.

**6-11-7: Enforcement and Penalties.**

A. A violation of this ordinance shall be subject to fines in the following amounts:

\$100.00 for a first offense.

\$250.00 for a second offense.

\$500.00 for subsequent offenses.

B. Devices may be impounded upon repeat violations or when operated dangerously.

**SECTION 4: Home Rule.** This resolution and each of its terms shall be the effective legislative act of a home rule municipality without regard to whether such resolution should (a) contain terms contrary to the provisions of current or subsequent non-preemptive state law, or (b) legislate in a manner or regarding a matter not delegated to municipalities by state law. It is the intent of the corporate authorities of the Village of Forest View that to the extent of the terms of this resolution should be inconsistent with any non-preemptive state law, that this resolution shall supersede state law in that regard within its jurisdiction.

**SECTION 5: Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.

AYES: Trustees, Grossi, Sudkamp, Hubacek, Castanuela, Nitka, Nevarez

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.

[Signatures on next page]

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David Liska  
Village President

ATTEST:

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Laura D. McGuffey  
Village Clerk