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**CITY OF EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE 1511**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE VII TO CHAPTER
44 OF THE CITY CODE TO REGULATE MOPED USE AND
PARKING WITHIN THE CITY**

The City of East Lansing ordains:

Section 1. Amendment.

The City of East Lansing hereby amends its Code of Ordinances to add a new Article VII to Chapter 44, entitled “Mopeds” which shall read in its entirety, as follows:

Section 44-727. – Definition.

For the purposes of this Article, the term moped shall mean a motor vehicle with two or three wheels that:

- (a) Has an engine that does not exceed 100 cc piston displacement;
- (b) Does not have a gearshift; and
- (c) Has a top speed of 50 miles per hour (MPH) or less on a level surface.

Sec. 44-728. – Permit Requirement.

- (a) A person may not park a moped in any designated moped parking area in the City unless the person has a moped permit.
- (b) The City of East Lansing Finance Department shall issue a moped permit upon receipt of a complete moped permit application and the prescribed moped permit registration fee, as established by the City Council.
- (c) A permit is not required to park a moped in parking areas that are not designated as moped parking areas, but the person parking the moped must pay any applicable parking rates for that parking location.
- (d) Each moped permit is valid for one six-month period (January 1-June 30 or July 1-December 31). Permits do not automatically renew and must be purchased every six months,

except that a person may purchase a maximum of two six-month permits at one time if desired.

Sec. 44-729. – Parking Restrictions.

No person, with or without a moped permit, shall park a moped upon public property at a bicycle rack, designated bicycle parking area, or sidewalk within the city limits.

Sec. 44-729. – Penalties.

- (a) Any person who violates this Article shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined by MCL 600.113, punishable by a civil fine of \$35, or as provided in Section 44-372 of the Code of the City of East Lansing.
- (b) Citations charging a violation of the provisions of this Article may be issued by a police officer, including a limited duty or parking enforcement officer, of the East Lansing Police Department.

Section 2. Validity and Severability.

If any portion of this Ordinance is held invalid for any reason, that holding will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which will continue in full force and effect.

Section 3. Repealer.

Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed, but only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication.

Jennifer Shuster
City Clerk