

**ORDINANCE NO. 627**

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AMERICUS, LYON COUNTY, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCES FOR KANSAS CITIES," 51<sup>st</sup> EDITION, WITH CERTAIN OMISSIONS; PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 620. AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER XIV TRAFFIC, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 14-101.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF AMERICUS, LYON COUNTY, KANSAS:

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATING STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.**

There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Americus, Kansas, that certain standard traffic ordinance known as the "Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities." 52<sup>nd</sup> Edition, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas, "save and except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified, or changed. One copy of said Standard Traffic Ordinance shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 627," with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance, and filed with the city clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours. The police department, municipal judge, and all administrative departments of the city charged with enforcement of the ordinance shall be supplied, at the cost of the city, such number of official copies of such Standard Traffic Ordinance similarly marked, as may be deemed expedient.

**SECTION 2. Traffic infractions and traffic offenses.**

- (a) An ordinance traffic infraction is a violation of any section of this ordinance that prescribes or requires the same behavior as that prescribed or required by a statutory provision that is classified as a traffic infraction in K.S.A. 8-2118.
- (b) All traffic violations that are included within this ordinance, and are not ordinance traffic infractions, as defined in subsection (a) of this section., shall be considered traffic offenses.

**SECTION 3. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 30 AND 30.1 REPEAL.**

Article 6, Section 30 of the Standard Traffic Ordinance relating to driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs and Section 30.1 related to driving commercial motor vehicles under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs are hereby declared to be and are omitted and deleted.

**SECTION 4. ARTICLE 14 SECTION 114.1, 114.2, 114.3, 114.4 and 114.5. REPEAL.**

Article 14. Section 114.1, 114.2, 114.3, 114.4 and 114.5 of the Standard Traffic Ordinance relating to operation of low-speed vehicles are hereby declared to be and are omitted and deleted.

**SECTION 5. REPEAL**

Ordinance No. 620 is repealed.

**SECTION 6. AMENDMENT**

Amending the Code of the City of Americus, Kansas Chapter XIV Traffic, Article 1, Section 14-101 is amended to read as section 14-101 INCORPORATING STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE. There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Americus, Kansas, that certain standard traffic ordinance known as the "Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities," 52<sup>nd</sup> Edition, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, save and except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified or changed, such incorporation being authorized by K.S.A. 12-3009 through 12-3012, inclusive, as amended. No fewer than three copies of said standard ordinance shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Incorporated by the Code of the City of Americus, Kansas," with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this section and filed with the city clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours.

**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in The Emporia Gazette.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY COUNCIL THIS 12th day of August 2025 and approved and signed by the Mayor.

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Dustin R. Wright, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Dodie Doudna  
City Clerk