

# MUNICIPAL SERVICES, FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE Council Chambers B, Keene City Hall October 22, 2025 6:00 PM

#### A. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Continued Discussion: Sale of City Property 100 Church Street
- 2. Relating to Rules for the Operation of Bicycles Ordinance O-2025-33
- 3. Downtown Infrastructure Project Update Public Works Director
- Execution of an Agreement to attach City Lighting to Private Property -Public Works Director

#### B. MORE TIME ITEMS

**NON PUBLIC SESSION** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

ORDINANCE O-2025-33



## CITY OF KEENE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty Five
AN ORDINANCE Relating to Rules for the Operation of Bicycles
Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Keene, as follows:
That the City Code of the City of Keene, New Hampshire, as amended, is hereby further amended by deleting Section 94-464, "Rules for Operation" in Article VI of Chapter 94, entitled "TRAFFIC, PARKING AND PUBLIC WAYS" in its entirety and replacing it with the following:
Sec. 94-464 Rules for operation.
<ul> <li>a) In all cases, the rules for operation of bicycles on public highways or public property within the City of Keene shall be as set forth in RSA 265:143-265:153,</li> </ul>
b) In addition, the following rules shall apply to the operation of bicycles, unicycles, tricycles, scooters, roller skates, skate boards, or similar devices (including electrically propelled or assisted versions of such devices) on bike lanes and multi-use paths within the City of Keene:
<ol> <li>Within the Downtown Core zoning district, the maximum permissible speed shall be 10 miles per hour.</li> </ol>
<ol><li>Where bike lanes are provided adjacent to roadways, cyclists shall only travel in the same direction as the adjacent travel lane.</li></ol>
<ol><li>No person shall stop, park or load any bicycle or other vehicle in such a way as to obstruct the public use of bike lanes and multi-use paths.</li></ol>
<ol> <li>Bicycles and other personal vehicles shall not be parked or left unattended within the public way, except at a rack provided for such purpose.</li> </ol>

In City Council September 18, 2025. Referred to the Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee.

**Deputy City Clerk** 

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Jay V. Kahn, Mayor

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	1)	Within the Downtown Core zoning district, the maximum permissible speed shall be 10 miles per hour.	
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	•	Where bike lanes are provided adjacent to roadways, cyclists shall only travel in the same direction as the adjacent travel lane.	
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## CITY OF KEENE NEW HAMPSHIRE

Meeting Date: October 22, 2025

**To:** Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee

From: Donald Lussier, Public Works Director

**Through:** Elizabeth Ferland, City Manager

Subject: Execution of an Agreement to attach City Lighting to Private Property -

**Public Works Director** 

### **Recommendation:**

Move that the Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee recommend that the City Manager be authorized to do all things necessary to negotiate and execute revocable license agreements with the owners of Parcel Nos. 575-012 (Margaritas) and 575-057 (Local Burger) for the attachment of City-owned and maintained lighting systems to privately owned buildings.

## **Attachments:**

None

#### Background:

On January 16, 2025, The City Council approved the final design for the upcoming Downtown Infrastructure Project. The design included decorative "catenary" lighting systems to illuminate the Cheshire Rail Trail, west of Main Street as well as Railroad Square, east of Main Street.

Both systems could be supported by placing poles on City property. However, direct attachment to the adjacent buildings will result in a less cluttered and more aesthetically pleasing installation. City Staff contact the owners of both adjacent properties, and both have expressed their willingness to allow direct attachment. If authorized by the City Council, the City Attorney will prepare a draft license agreement as a starting point for the Manager's negotiations. The City will remain responsible for the maintenance and operation of the lighting systems. In addition, we shall indemnify the property owners from any potential claims or loss resulting from the lighting system installation. The property owners would have the right to revoke the license, with adequate advance notice.