

ORDINANCE 2025-9-30
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HANSON, KENTUCKY RELATING TO
STREET-LEGAL SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES

WHEREAS, 2025 Kentucky Acts Chapter 89 (hereinafter “the Act”) became law on March 26, 2025, and allows for the operation of street-legal special purpose vehicles on certain highways within the Commonwealth of Kentucky if allowed by ordinance of the local government within whose jurisdictional boundaries the highway is located; and

WHEREAS, the Act becomes effective on Tuesday September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hanson has determined that it is appropriate to allow the operation of street-legal special purpose vehicles on specified highways or portions thereof within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Hanson, Kentucky in accordance with the Act and this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the City of Hanson Commission of Hopkins County, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1.

Definitions

The definitions set forth in Section 1(1) of the 2025 Kentucky Acts Chapter 89 (hereinafter “the Act”), and as may be amended in the future by the Kentucky General Assembly, are adopted and incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein.

SECTION 2.

Designated

Street-legal special purpose vehicles shall be allowed, to the extent permitted by the Act, on the highways, or portions thereof that are located within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Hanson, Kentucky where the speed limit is 55 miles per hour or less.

SECTION 3.

Exceptions

Street-legal special purpose vehicles shall not be allowed to operate:

- a. On any highway, or portion thereof, located within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Hanson, Kentucky unless allowed by this ordinance.
- b. On any highway, or portion thereof, that is a controlled access system, including but not limited to an interstate or parkway; or
- c. On any highway, or portion thereof, where the United States Department of Agriculture prohibits special purpose vehicles.

SECTION 4.

Prohibitions

- a. Street-legal special purpose vehicles are prohibited from traveling a distance greater than twenty (20) miles on a highway displaying centerline pavement markings.
- b. Minitrucks shall not be operated as street-legal special purpose vehicles on a highway that has been constructed pursuant to a federal highway program.

The foregoing Ordinance was read to and presented to a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Hanson, Kentucky for the first reading of the 26th day of August 2025 and for the second reading on the 30th day of September 2025. The motion was made by Commissioner LeCornu and seconded by Commissioner Marsh that the ordinance be adopted as the law of the City of Hanson, Kentucky effective date of the ordinance shall be September 30th, 2025, and upon publication thereof as required by law.

Vote being taken as follows:

Mayor Jimmy Epley YES
Commissioner Brandon Marsh YES
Commissioner Carroll Oakley YES
Commissioner Emily Williams YES
Commissioner Ann LeCornu YES


Jimmy Epley, Mayor

ATTEST


Casey Pearson, City Clerk