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# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 432**

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Whereas, the current version of Walla Walla County Code Chapter 10.20, which regulates traffic on the Walla Walla Regional Airport, was most recently enacted or amended in 1950; and

Whereas, at the time of enactment, the Airport was jointly operated by Walla Walla County and the City of Walla Walla; and

Whereas, until 1989, the Airport was named the Walla Walla City-County Airport, and it was operated by a joint board; and

Whereas, the Port of Walla Walla has operated the Airport since 1989, and the Airport was renamed the Walla Walla Regional Airport; and,

Whereas, the Port of Walla Walla has requested that the County amend WWCC Chapter 10.20 to correct outdated references to the Airport, state laws and other matters;

#### NOW THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners that:

#### Section I. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Findings of Fact:

- 1. Roads at the Airport are owned by the Port of Walla Walla, but the County has legal jurisdiction for traffic regulation at the Regional Airport.
- 2. The Port of Walla Walla requested the proposed amendments, and its representatives have worked with County staff to prepare the regulations.
- 3. Updating traffic regulations at the Walla Walla Regional Airport will be beneficial to the operation of the airport.
- 4. A workshop on the proposed amendment was held on February 3, 2015.

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- 5. Notice of a Public Hearing was published in the Waitsburg Times on April 23, 2015.
- 6. The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on May 11, 2015 for the purpose of receiving testimony on the proposed amendments.
- 7. On May 28, 2015, the Port of Walla Walla passed Resolution 05-28-15, requesting that the County revise its code provisions pertaining traffic regulations at the airport.
- 8. The Board of County Commissioners continued the public hearing to June 8, 2015.

# Section II. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Conclusions of Law:

- 1. The County has reviewed and evaluated comments received from the public.
- 2. The proposed amendments to Chapter 10.20 of the Walla Walla County Code are necessary to improve clarity and achieve consistency regarding traffic regulations on the Walla Walla Regional Airport.
- 3. The proposal meets a definable public need.

Section III. Amendments to Walla Walla County Code Amending Chapter 10.20. The amendments to Walla Walla County Code, amending Chapter 10.20, are **adopted** as presented to the Board of County Commissioners on this date as attached in Exhibit A.

**Section IV. Index.** The index to any chapter of the Walla Walla County Code in which sections are added or removed or in which section titles are changed herein shall also be amended to reflect the section amendments.

Section V. Effective Date. This Ordinance is effective as of the date of signing.

**Section VI. Severability**. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

**Section VII. Publication.** This Ordinance will be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners in regular session at Walla Walla, Washington, then signed by its membership and attested by its Clerk in authorization of such passage this  $8^{th}$  day of June, 2015.

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Attest: Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

Approved as to form

Jesse D. Nolte, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Dozier, Chairman, District 2

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James L. Duncan, Commissioner, District 3

Constituting the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington

#### Exhibit A

- 10.20.010 Statutory authority.
- 10.20.020 Permit—Required for certain activities.
- 10.20.030 Parking restrictions during celebrations, on holidays and special occasions.
- 10.20.040 Airport board Port Commission—Authority to post no-parking areas—Unlawful to park.
- 10.20.050 -Airport board Port Commission—Authority to designate location of traffic signs or standards.
- 10.20.060 Port Commission Authority to pass rules and regulations.
- 10.20.070 Areas where passing prohibited.
- 10.20.080060 Speed restrictions.
- 10.20.070 Areas where passing prohibited.
- 10.20.<del>100</del>080 Violation—Penalty.
- 10.20.<del>11</del>090 Severability.

### 10.20.010 - Statutory authority.

In order to make this chapter relating to the operation of motor vehicles within the Walla Walla City-County Regional Airport (hereinafter "Airport") uniform with the laws of the state of Washington, all of the provisions of the Washington Motor Vehicles Act (being Chapter 189 of the Laws of Washington for the year 1927) as amended or as hereafter may be amended; all of the provisions of the Washington Highway License Act (being Chapter 189 of Laws of Washington for the year 1937) as amended or as hereafter may be amended; and all the provisions of the Washington State Highway Act (being Chapter 53 of the Laws of Washington for the year 1937) as amended or as hereafter may be amended; are adopted by this chapter by the city and county of Walla Walla and are by reference made a part of this chapter as codified in Title 46 RCW as amended or as hereafter amended, and all of the provisions of the Washington Public Highways and Transportation Act as codified in Title 47 RCW as amended or as hereafter amended, are adopted by this chapter by the County of Walla Walla and are by reference made a part of this chapter. (Ord. 11 § 1, 1950)

### 10.20.020 - Permit—Required for certain activities.

It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation or other legal entity to drive, draw, propel along, over or across any of the paved streets in the Walla Walla City County Airport, any traction engine, tractor, threshing machine, combine harvester commercial, industrial or agricultural equipment or other vehicle having on the tractive surfaces of its vehicle any spikes, cleats or flanges, unless such person, firm, or corporation or legal entity shall have first obtained a permit therefor from the aAirport mManager. Violation of this subsection shall constitute a civil infraction in the following amounts: \$75 for the first offense. \$250 each subsequent offense. (Ord. 11 § 6, 1950)

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# 10.20.030 - Parking restrictions during celebrations, on holidays and special occasions.

On days of celebrations, holidays, and special occasions which tend to increase traffic, the a<u>A</u>irport <u>Manager or his/her designee</u> board or a suitable person appointed by it for the purpose, shall have the power and authority to establish by appropriate signs or enclosures, districts wherein no parking of any vehicles shall be allowed. On streets where building operations are being carried on; and for the public safety when traffic is congested, the a<u>A</u>irport board or a suitable person designated by it <u>Manager or his/her designee</u> may temporarily close any street or portion of a street to all vehicle traffic. (Ord. 11 § 3, 1950)

# 10.20.040 - Airport board Port Commission—Authority to post no-parking areas—Unlawful to park.

The airport board Walla Walla Port Commission shall have full power and authority to designate portions of any street within the Walla Walla City-County Airport which shall not be used for parking purposes. When any portion of any street is so designated it shall be appropriately marked or posted. It is unlawful for any person to leave or park any motor vehicle or other vehicle within any portion of any street so marked or posted. It is unlawful for any person to park any motor vehicle on any streets within the Walla Walla City-County Airport where standard signs have been or hereafter may be erected and maintained prohibiting parking. (Ord. 11 § 4, 1950)

# 10.20.050 -Airport board Port Commission—Authority to designate location of traffic signs or standards.

The airport board Walla Walla Port Commission shall have full power and authority to designate the location of any traffic signs or standards within the limits of said Walla Walla City-County Airport. (Ord. 11 § 5, 1950)

## 10.20.060 - Port Commission—Authority to pass rules and regulations.

The Walla Walla Port Commission shall have the power to pass any rule or regulation requiring a different rate of speed than that specified under this chapter and which vehicles may be operated along or over the public streets within the limits of said Airport or otherwise to regulate the use of the public streets thereof in the same manner as any governing body or authority of any city or town or political subdivision now has or shall hereafter have under the laws of the state of Washington. (Ord. 11 § 10, 1950)

### 10.20.070 - Areas where passing prohibited.

No vehicle shall overtake or pass or attempt to pass another vehicle going in the same direction at a highway intersection or at a highway "T" intersection except by direction of a traffic officer. (Ord. 11 § 7, 1950)

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### 10.20.<del>080</del>060 - Speed restrictions.

Pursuant to RCW 46.61.415 lit is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to operate the same at a speed in excess of the following:

- A. Twenty-five (25) miles per hour <u>upon any public street</u> within the limits of the <del>Walla Walla City-County</del> Airport;
- B. Twenty miles in traversing any intersection to public highways within the limits of said airport where the operator's view is obstructed (an operator's view shall be deemed to be obstructed when at any time during the last one hundred feet of his approach to an intersection he does not have the clear and uninterrupted view of such intersection and of all public highways entering such intersection for a distance of one hundred feet along the centerline of each thereof;
- C.B. Twenty (20) miles per hour while traveling upon portion of any public highway of said Walla Walla City County Airport when such portion of the highway is so sign-posted a the extremities thereof upon any portion of a public street within the limits of the Airport when such portion of the street is so sign-posted at the extremities of said twenty (20) miles per hour zone. (Ord. 11 § 9, 1950)

# 10.20.090070 - Airport manager as police officer Enforcement.

The airport manager shall be a police officer for all purposes of Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office shall be responsible for enforcing all traffic ordinances and regulations at the Walla Walla City County Airport. (Ord. 11 § 8, 1950)

## 10.20.<del>100</del>080 - Violation—Penalty.

Any person violating any of the terms of the laws referred to in Sections 10.20.010 or 10.20.060 of this chapter shall be penalized as provided by said laws. Any person violating any of the other provisions of this chapter shall, pursuant to RCW 7.80, et seq., be subject to a Class 1 civil infraction with a fine not to exceed \$250.00.within the limits of the Walla Walla City County Airport shall be guilty of a violation of this chapter. (Ord. 11 § 2, 1950)

### 10.20.44090 - Severability.

If any of the provisions of this chapter are held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the chapter shall not be affected thereby. (Ord. 11 § 12, 1950)

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