- 4. Every such prohibited sign, signal, or marking is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and the authority having jurisdiction over the highway is hereby empowered to remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice when located on highway right of way.
- 5. No person may place, maintain, or display upon or within the right of way of any highway any sign, post, pole, mailbox, or signal which has a red lamp or red reflector visible to traffic. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to official traffic devices, lamps, or reflectors on motor vehicles or bicycles, or railroad signals or signs.
- 6. This section does not prohibit the use of portable battery-powered warning devices emitting a flashing red light placed upon a highway to alert oncoming traffic to a disabled or stopped motor vehicle.

# 9.0405 Interference with Official Traffic Control Device or Sign

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-07.3 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

A person may not, without lawful authority, attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, remove, or interfere with the operation of any official traffic-control device or any railroad sign or signal or any inscription, shield, or insignia thereon, or any other part thereof.

## 9.0406 Designation of Walks, Lanes, etc.

The city engineer or any person authorized by the City governing body shall:

- 1. Designate and maintain, by appropriate devices, marks or lines upon the surface of the roadway, crosswalks at intersections where there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the roadway, and at such other places as directed by the City governing body.
- 2. Establish safety zones of such kind and character and at such places as may be deemed necessary for the protection of pedestrians as determined by the City governing body.
- 3. Mark traffic lanes upon the roadway of any street or highway where a regular alignment of traffic is necessary. Where such traffic lanes have been marked, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep such vehicle within the boundaries of any such lane except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement or performing other lawful traffic movements.

# ARTICLE 5 - Speed Regulations and Care Required

## 9.0501 Basic Rules - Penalty for Violation

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-01 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. Consistent with the foregoing, every person shall drive at a safe and appropriate speed when approaching and crossing an intersection or railroad grade crossing, when approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, and when special hazards exist with respect to pedestrians or other traffic or by reason of weather or highway conditions. Any person who shall drive a vehicle upon a highway or private or public property open to the public for the operation or motor vehicles without heed to the requirements or restrictions of this section has committed careless driving, and must be assessed a fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00).

Any person who, by reason of careless driving as herein defined, causes and inflicts injury upon the person of an operator of snow removal equipment engaged in snow removal operations or causes damage in excess of one thousand dollars to snow removal equipment engaged in snow removal is guilty of an infraction.

As used in this section, "snow removal equipment" means a vehicle that is operated by a person employed by or on behalf of an authority in charge of the maintenance of the highway to perform winter maintenance snow and ice removal, including plowing, hauling away, salting, and sanding.

## 9.0502 Speed Limitations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-02 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Subject to the provisions of 9.0501 and except in those instances where a lower speed is specified in this chapter, it presumably shall be lawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive the same at a speed not exceeding:
  - a. Twenty (20) miles an hour when approaching within fifty (50) feet of a grade crossing of any steam, electric, or street railway when the driver's view is obstructed. A driver's view is deemed to be obstructed when at any time during the last two hundred (200) feet of the driver's approach to such crossing, the driver does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such railway crossing and of any traffic on such railway for a distance of four hundred (400) feet in each direction from such crossing;
  - b. Twenty (20) miles an hour when passing a school during school recess or while children are going to or leaving school during opening or closing hours;
  - c. Twenty (20) miles an hour when approaching within fifty (50) feet and in traversing an intersection of highways when the driver's view is obstructed. A driver's view is deemed to be obstructed when at any time during the last fifty (50) feet of the driver's approach to such intersection, the driver does not have a clear and uninterrupted view of such intersection and of the traffic upon all of the highways entering such intersection for a distance of two hundred (200) feet from such intersection;
  - d. Twenty (20) miles an hour when the driver's view of the highway ahead is obstructed within a distance of one hundred (100) feet;
  - e. Twenty-five (25) miles an hour on any highway in a business district or in a residence district or in a public park, unless a different speed limit is designated and posted by local authorities; and
  - f. Fifty-five (55) miles an hour under other circumstances, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
  - g. Sixty-five (65) miles an hour on paved two-lane highways of posted for that speed, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
  - h. Seventy (70) miles an hour on paved and divided multilane highways, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.
  - i. Seventy-five (75) miles an hour on access-controlled, paved and divided, multilane interstate highways, unless otherwise permitted, restricted, or required by conditions.

- 2. Except as provided by law, it is unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed that is unsafe or at a speed exceeding the speed limit prescribed by law or established pursuant to law.
- 3. In charging a violation of the provisions of this section, the complaint must specify the speed at which the defendant is alleged to have driven and the speed which this section prescribes is prima facie lawful at the time and place of the alleged offense.

#### 9.0503 When Local Authorities May or Shall Alter Maximum Speed - Limits - Signs Posted

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Whenever the City, on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, determines that the maximum speed permitted under this title is greater or less than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist upon a highway or part of a highway, the City may determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit thereon which:
  - a. Decreases the limit at intersections;
  - b. Increases the limit within an urban district but not to more than fifty-five (55) miles per hour; or
  - c. Decreases the limit outside an urban district.
- 2. The City shall determine by an engineering and traffic investigation the proper maximum speed for arterial streets and shall declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit thereon which may be greater or less than the minimum speed permitted under this chapter for an urban district.
- 3. Any altered limit established as hereinabove authorized shall be effective at all times or during hours of darkness or at other times as may be determined when appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected upon such street or highway.
- 4. Any alteration of maximum limits on state highways or extensions thereof in the City may not be effective until such alteration has been approved by the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation.
- 5. Not more than six such alterations as hereinabove authorized shall be made per mile along a street or highway except in the case of reduced limits at intersections, and the difference between adjacent limits shall not be more than ten (10) miles per hour.

# 9.0504 Speed Limitations Inapplicable to Whom – Liability of Exempt Driver for Reckless Driving

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-06 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The speed limitations provided for in this article do not apply to Class A authorized emergency vehicles. The exceptions provided for in this section do not protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences or a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

#### 9.0505 Minimum Speed Limits

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. An individual may not drive a motor vehicle at a reduced speed so as to impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law.
- 2. If the director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation and the superintendent of the North Dakota Highway Patrol, acting jointly, or the City, determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that slow speeds on any highway or part of a highway impede the safe, normal, and reasonable movement of traffic, the director and superintendent or the City may determine and declare a minimum speed limit below which an individual may not drive a vehicle except when necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law, and that limit is effective when posted upon appropriate fixed or variable signs.

## 9.0506 Regulations of Speed by Traffic Signals

The City traffic engineer or authorized person may regulate the timing of traffic signals so as to permit the movement of traffic in an orderly and safe manner at speeds slightly at variance from the speeds otherwise applicable within the district or at intersections and shall erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

# 9.0507 Exhibition Driving and Drag Racing - Definitions - Penalty

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-08-03.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

1. No person may engage in exhibition driving of any vehicle on a highway, street, alley, sidewalk, or any public or private parking lot or area, nor may any person engage in a race, a speed competition, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, or exhibition of speed or acceleration. Any person who violates this section by engaging in an act defined by subdivision b of subsection 2 must be assessed a fee of fifty dollars. Any person who violates this section by engaging in an act defined by subdivision a or c of subsection 2 must be assessed a fee of one hundred dollars.

#### 2. As used in this section:

- a. "Drag race" means the operation of two or more vehicles from a point side-byside by accelerating rapidly in a competitive attempt to cause one vehicle to out
  distance the other; or the operation of one or more vehicles over a common
  selected course from the same point to the same point for the purpose of
  comparing the relative speed or powers of acceleration of such vehicle or
  vehicles within a certain distance or time limit.
- b. "Exhibition driving" means driving a vehicle in a manner which disturbs the peace by creating or causing unnecessary engine noise, tire squeal, skid, or slide upon acceleration or braking; or driving and executing or attempting one or a series of unnecessarily abrupt turns.
- c. "Race" means the use of one or more vehicles in an attempt to outgain, outdistance, or to arrive at a given distance ahead or another vehicle or vehicles; or the use of one or more vehicles to willfully prevent another vehicle from passing the facing vehicle or vehicles, or to test the physical stamina or endurance of the persons driving the vehicles over a long distance driving route.
- 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting drag racing, exhibition driving, or similar events when carried out in an organized manner on a track or other privately

owned area specifically set aside and used solely for such purposes by drivers of motor vehicles, including snowmobiles.

# 9.0508 Radar Evidence in Speed Violations

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-03-15 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The speed of any motor vehicle may be checked by the use of radio microwaves or other electrical device. The results of such checks shall be accepted a prima facie evidence of the speed of such motor vehicle in any court or legal proceedings where the speed of the motor vehicle is at issue. The driver of any such motor vehicle may be arrested without a warrant under this section, provided the arresting officer is in uniform or displays the officer's badge of authority; provided that such officer has observed the record of the device, or has received a radio message from the officer who observed the speed of the motor vehicle recorded by the radio microwaves or other electrical device.

#### 9.0509 Care Required in Operating Vehicle

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-09-01.1 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Any person driving a vehicle upon a highway shall drive the vehicle in a careful and prudent manner, having due regard to the traffic, surface, and width of the highway and other conditions then existing, and shall give such warnings as are reasonable necessary for safe operation under the circumstances. No person may drive any vehicle upon a highway in a manner to endanger the life, limb, or property of any person.

## ARTICLE 6 - Turning Movements

# 9.0601 Required Position and Method of Turning

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code Section 39-10-35 and all subsequent amendments shall be and are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn shall do so as follows:

- 1. Right turns. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn must be made as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway;
- 2. Left turns. The driver of a vehicle intending to turn left shall approach the turn in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the direction of travel of such vehicle. Whenever practicable, the left turn must be made to the left of the center of the intersection and so as to leave the intersection in the extreme left-hand lane lawfully available to traffic moving in the same direction as such vehicle on the roadway being entered;
- 3. The City may cause official traffic-control devices to be placed and thereby require and direct that a different course from that specified in this section be traveled by turning vehicles, and when such devices are so placed, no driver of a vehicle may turn other than as directed and required by such devices.

#### 9.0602 Vehicle Turning Left

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-23 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left within an intersection or into an alley, private road, or driveway shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction which is within the intersection or so close thereto as to constitute an immediate hazard.

# 9.0603 Limitations on Turning Around

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-36 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. The driver of any vehicle may not turn such vehicle so as to proceed in the opposite direction unless such movement can be made in safely and without interfering with other traffic.
- No vehicle may be turned so as to proceed in the opposite direction upon any curve, or upon the approach to or near the crest of a grade, where such vehicle cannot be seen by the driver of any other vehicle approaching from either direction within five hundred (500) feet.

# 9.0604 Turning Movements and Required Signals

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-38 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- No person may turn a vehicle or move right or left upon a roadway unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety without giving an appropriate signal in the manner hereinafter provided;
- A signal of intention to turn right or left when required must be given continuously during not less than the last one hundred (100) feet traveled by the vehicle before turning;
- 3. No person may stop or suddenly decrease the speed of a vehicle without first giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided herein to the driver of any vehicle immediately to the rear when there is opportunity to give such signal; and
- 4. The signals required on vehicles by subsection 2 of Section 9.0605 may not be flashed on one side only on a disabled vehicle, flashed as a courtesy or "do pass" signal to operators of other vehicles approaching from the rear, nor be flashed on one side only of a parked vehicle except as may be necessary for compliance with this section.

# 9.0605 Signals by Hand and Arm or Signal Lamps

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-39 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Any stop or turn signal when required herein must be given either by means of the hand and arm or by signal lamps, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2.
- 2. Any motor vehicle in use on a highway must be equipped with, and required signals must be given by, signal lamps when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the left outside limit of the body, cab or load of such motor vehicle exceeds twenty-four (24) inches (60.96 centimeters), or when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the rear limit of the body or load thereof exceeds fourteen (14) feet (4.27 meters). The latter measurement shall apply to any single vehicle and to any combination of vehicles.

# 9.0606 Methods of Giving Hand and Arm Signals

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-40 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

All signals herein required given by hand and arm must be given from the left side of the vehicle in the following manner and such signals must indicate as follows:

- 1. Left turn: hand and arm extended horizontally;
- Right turn: hand and arm extended upward
- Stop of decrease speed: hand and arm extended downward.

## ARTICLE 7 - Special Stops

## 9.0701 Authority to Designate Through Streets

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-07-03 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation with reference to state highways, and the City governing body, with reference to highways under their jurisdiction, may, by proclamation, designate as through highways, any highway, street, or part thereof, and erect stop signs or yield signs at specified entrances thereto, or may designate any intersection as a stop intersection or as a yield intersection and erect stop signs or yield signs at one or more entrances to such intersection.

#### 9.0702 Through Streets Designated

The following streets and parts of streets are hereby declared to be through streets for the purpose of this chapter:

#### 9.0703 Signs

All traffic control devices shall conform to state specifications.

#### 9.0704 Stop Signs and Yield Signs

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code sections 39-10-24 and 30-10-44 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Preferential right-of-way may be indicated by stop signs or yield signs as authorized in Section 9.0701.
- Except when directed to proceed by a police officer, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop sign shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, or if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersection roadway before entering it. After having stopped, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another

roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time when such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways.

- 3. The driver of a vehicle approaching a yield sign shall in obedience to such sign slow down to a speed reasonable for the existing conditions and, if required for safety to stop, shall stop at a clearly marked stop sign, or, if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersection roadway before entering it. After slowing or stopping, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute and immediate hazard during the time such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways. Provided, however, that if the driver is involved in a collision with a vehicle in the intersection or junction of roadways after driving past a yield sign without stopping, such collision shall be deemed prima facie evidence of his failure to yield the right-of-way.
- 4. Every stop sign and every yield sign must be erected as near as practicable to the nearest line of the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if there is not crosswalk, then as near as practicable to the nearest line of the intersecting roadway.
- 5. Except when directed to proceed by a police officer or traffic control sign, every driver of a vehicle approaching a stop intersection indicated by a stop sign shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, in the event there is no crosswalk, shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, then at the point nearest the intersection roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway.
- 6. The driver of a vehicle approaching a yield sign if required for safety to stop shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, in the event there is no crosswalk, at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, then at a point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway.

#### 9.0705 Emerging from Alley or Driveway

The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, driveway, private road or building with a business or residential district shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving on to the sidewalk or on to the sidewalk area extending across such alley, building entrance, road or driveway, or in the event there is no sidewalk area, shall stop at the point nearest the street to be entered when the driver has a view of approaching traffic thereon. The driver shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian as may be necessary to avoid collision and upon entering the roadway shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching on said roadway. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-45)

#### 9.0706 Stop When Traffic Obstructed

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-68 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No driver may enter any intersection or a marked crosswalk or drive on to a railroad grade crossing unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection, crosswalk, or railroad grade crossing to accommodate the vehicle the driver is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles, pedestrians, or railroad trains notwithstanding any traffic-control signal indication to proceed.

#### 9.0707 Obedience to Signal Indicating Approach of Train

The provision of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-41 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of such vehicle shall stop within fifty (50) feet but not less than fifteen (15) feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not proceed until he can do so safely. The foregoing requirements apply when:
  - a. A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train;
  - A crossing gate is lowered or when a human flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train;
  - c. A railroad train approaching within approximately one thousand three hundred twenty (1,320) feet of the highway crossing emits a signal audible from such distance and such railroad train, by reason of its speed or nearness to such crossing, is an immediate hazard; or
  - d. An approaching railroad train is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.
- 2. No person may drive any vehicle through, around or under any crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed. No person may drive any vehicle past any human flagman at a railroad crossing until the flagman signals that the way is clear to proceed.

## ARTICLE 8 - Operators

## 9.0801 Operators - Who Prohibited

The driving of motor vehicles, including automobiles, motor scooters, motor cycles, taxi cabs, trucks, or delivery trucks within the city limits of this City by any person who is not legally licensed to operated such vehicles under the laws of the State of North Dakota or by any person during the period his or her license is suspended, is prohibited.

## ARTICLE 9 - Miscellaneous Driving Rules

## 9.0901 When Traffic Obstructed

No driver may enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle the driver is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-68)

#### 9.0902 Driving Through Funeral or Other Procession

The driver of a vehicle may not drive between the vehicles comprising a funeral or other authorized procession while they are in motion and when such vehicles are conspicuously designated as required in this ordinance, except when authorized to do so by a law enforcement officer or when such

vehicle is an emergency vehicle giving an audible or visible signal. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (4))

#### 9.0903 Drivers in a Procession

Each driver in a funeral or other procession shall follow the vehicle ahead as close as is practicable and safe. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (3))

## 9.0904 Funeral Processions to be Identified

A funeral procession composed of a procession of vehicles shall be identified as such by headlights burning in daylight hours on all vehicles in the procession. (Source: North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-72 (3))

#### 9.0905 When Permits Required for Parades and Processions

No funeral, procession or parade containing two hundred (200) or more persons or fifty (50) or more vehicles except the Armed Forces of the United States, the military forces of this state and the forces of the police and fire departments, shall occupy, march or proceed along any street except in accordance with a permit issued by the chief of police and such other regulations as are set forth herein which may apply.

#### 9.0906 Drive on right Side of Roadway - Exceptions

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-08 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. Upon all roadways of sufficient width a vehicle must be driven upon the right half of the roadway, except as follows:
  - a. When overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction under the rules governing such movement;
  - b. When an obstruction exists making it necessary to drive to the left of the center of the highway; provided, any person so doing shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles traveling in the proper direction upon the unobstructed portion of the highway within such distance as to constitute an immediate hazard;
  - c. Upon a roadway divided into three marked lanes for traffic under the rules applicable thereon; or
- 2. Upon all roadways any vehicle proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing must be driven in the right-hand lane then available for traffic, or as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway, except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn in an intersection or into a private road or driveway.
- 3. Upon any roadway having four or more lanes for moving traffic and providing for two-way movement of traffic, no vehicle may be driven to the left of the center line of the roadway, except when authorized by official traffic-control devices designating certain lanes to the left side of the center of the roadway for use by traffic not otherwise permitted to use such lanes, or except as permitted under subdivision b of subsection 1 hereof. However, this subsection shall not be construed as prohibiting the crossing of the center line in making a left turn into or from an alley, private road, or driveway.

## 9.0907 Passing Vehicles Proceeding in Opposite Direction

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-09 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Drivers of vehicles proceeding in opposite directions shall pass each other to the right, and upon roadways having width for not more than one line of traffic in each direction each driver shall give to the other at least one-half of the main-traveled portion of the roadway as nearly as possible.

## 9.0908 Overtaking a Vehicle on the Left

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-11 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

The following rules shall govern the overtaking and passing of vehicles proceeding in the same direction, subject to those limitations, exceptions, and special rules hereinafter stated;

- The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall
  pass to the left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to the right side of the
  roadway until safely clear of the overtaken vehicle.
- Except when overtaking and passing on the right is permitted, the driver of an overtaken
  vehicle shall give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and
  shall not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking
  vehicle.

#### 9.0909 When Overtaking on the Right is Permitted

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-12 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass upon the right of another vehicle only under the following conditions:
  - a. When the vehicle overtaken is making or about to make a left turn; or
  - b. Upon a roadway with unobstructed pavement of sufficient width for two or more lines of vehicles moving lawfully in the direction being traveled by the overtaking vehicle.
- 2. The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another vehicle upon the right only under conditions permitting such movement in safety. Such movement may not be made by driving off the roadway.

#### 9.0910 Limitations on Overtaking on the Left

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-13 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

No vehicle may be driven to the left side of the center of the roadway in overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction unless such left side is clearly visible and is free of oncoming traffic for a sufficient distance ahead to permit such overtaking and passing to be completely made without interfering with the operation of any vehicle approaching from the opposite direction or any vehicle overtaken. In every event the overtaking vehicle must return to an authorized lane of travel as soon as practicable, and in the event the passing movement involves the use of a lane authorized for vehicles

approaching from the opposite direction, before coming within two hundred feet of any approaching vehicle.

## 9.0911 Further Limitations on Driving on Left of Center of Roadway

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-14 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. No vehicle shall be driven to the left side of the roadway under the following conditions:
  - a. When approaching or upon the crest of a grade or a curve in the highway where the driver's view is obstructed within such distance as to create a hazard in the event another vehicle might approach from the opposite direction;
  - b. When approaching within one hundred (100) feet of or traversing any intersection or railroad grade crossing; or
  - c. When the view is obstructed upon approaching within one hundred (100) feet of any bridge, viaduct or tunnel.
- 3. The foregoing limitations shall not apply upon a one-way roadway, nor under the conditions described in 9.0906 nor to the driver of a vehicle turning left into or from an alley, private road or driveway.

#### 9.0912 No-Passing Zones

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-15 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. The director of the North Dakota Department of Transportation and the City governing body are hereby authorized to determine those portions of any highway under their respective jurisdiction where overtaking and passing or driving on the left side of the roadway would be especially hazardous and may by appropriate signs or markings on the roadway indicate the beginning and end of such zones and when such signs or markings are in place and clearly visible to an ordinarily observant person, every driver of a vehicle shall obey the directions thereof.
- 2. Where signs or markings are in place to define a no-passing zone as set forth in subsection 1, no driver shall at any time drive on the left side of the roadway with such no-passing zone or on the left side of any pavement striping designed to mark such no-passing zone throughout its length.
- 3. This section does not apply under the conditions described in Section 9.0906 nor to the driver of a vehicle turning left into or from an alley, private road or driveway.

#### 9.0913 Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-17 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Whenever any roadway has been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following rules in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply:

1. A vehicle must be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such movement can be made with safety.

- 2. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes and provides for two-way traffic, a vehicle may not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction when such center line is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation for making a left turn or where such center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the same direction that the vehicle is proceeding and such allocation is designated by official traffic-control devices.
- Official traffic-control devices may be erected directing specified traffic to use a
  designated lane or designating those lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular
  direction regardless of the center of the roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the
  directions of every such device.
- Official traffic-control devices may be installed prohibiting the changing of lanes on sections of roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such device.

#### 9.0914 Following Too Closely

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-18 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

- 1. The driver of a motor vehicle may not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of such vehicles and the traffic upon and the condition of the highway.
- 2. The driver of any truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle when traveling upon a roadway outside of a business or residence district and which is following another truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle shall, whenever conditions permit leave sufficient space so that an overtaking vehicle may enter and occupy such space without danger, except that this does not prevent a truck or motor vehicle drawing another vehicle from overtaking and passing any vehicle or combination of vehicles.
- 3. Motor vehicles being driven upon any roadway outside of a business or residence district in a caravan or motorcade whether or not towing other vehicles must be so operated as to allow sufficient space between each such vehicle or combination of vehicles so as to enable any other vehicle to enter and occupy such space without danger. This provision does not apply to funeral processions.

## 9.0915 Driving on Divided Highways

The provisions of North Dakota Century Code section 39-10-19 and all subsequent amendments are hereby incorporated by reference in this ordinance.

Whenever any highway has been divided into two or more roadways by leaving an intervening space or by a physical barrier or clearly indicated divided section so construed as to impede vehicular traffic, every vehicle must be driven only upon the right-hand roadway, unless directed or permitted to use another roadway by official traffic-control devices or police officers. No vehicle may be driven over, across or within any such dividing space, barrier or section, except through an opening in such physical barrier or dividing section or space at a crossover or intersection as established by public authority, unless such crossing is specifically prohibited and such prohibition is indicated by appropriate traffic-control devices.