# Village of Roberts
# Ordinance No. 2026-06VB

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 62 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE**

**Regarding the use and regulations of electric bikes (e-bikes)**

The Village Board of the Village of Roberts, Wisconsin does ordain as follows:

**ELECTRIC BICYCLE ORDINANCE**

**Sec. 62-220. Purpose.**

This ordinance establishes uniform rules for the operation of electric bicycles within the Village of Roberts and incorporates applicable Wisconsin bicycle and traffic-safety requirements.

**Sec. 62-221. Electric Bicycle Classifications**

Class 1- Pedal-assist only; the motor stops providing power when the bike reaches 20 mph.

Class 2-Throttle-assist and pedal-assist; the motor can propel the bike without pedaling up to 20 mph.

Class 3-Pedal-assist only; the motor stops providing power when the bike reaches 28 mph. It must be equipped with a speedometer

**Sec. 62-222. Applicability and Minimum Age.**

A person **12 years of age or older** may operate an electric bicycle within the Village, subject to this ordinance and applicable Wisconsin law.

No person under **16 years of age** may operate a Class 3 electric bicycle, as required by Wisconsin Stat. § 346.806(4).

**Sec. 62-223. Modifications**

No person shall modify or alter an electric bicycle to change the speed capability, motor wattage, or class classification of the electric bicycle, unless the manufacturer's label is updated to accurately reflect the new specifications. This includes the operation of a modified electric bicycle.

**Sec. 62-224. Traffic Rules.**

Every electric bicycle operator shall obey all uniform traffic laws applicable to bicycles and electric bicycles adopted under Village of Roberts Ordinance 62-1 State traffic laws adopted.

**Sec. 62-225. Sidewalks, Bicycle Ways and Paths.**

Electric bicycles shall not be operated on sidewalks. Electric bicycles shall use bicycle lanes, bicycle ways and shared-use paths where permitted by Wisconsin law and Village signage.

The Village may prohibit or restrict electric bicycles on, paths, bicycle ways or other public ways by ordinance or properly posted traffic-control signage where authorized by Wisconsin law.

**Sec. 62-226. Class 3 Electric Bicycles.**

Nothing in this ordinance authorizes a person under 16 years of age to operate a Class 3 electric

bicycle. All Wisconsin statutory restrictions applicable to Class 3 electric bicycles remain in effect.

**Sec. 62-227. Accidents and Emergency Assistance.**

An electric bicycle operator involved in an accident shall comply with all applicable Wisconsin requirements concerning stopping, providing information, rendering assistance and reporting the accident.

**Sec. 62-228. Non-Moving Municipal Offense.**

A violation prosecuted solely under this Village ordinance shall be processed as a municipal ordinance forfeiture and not as a state traffic citation for purposes of driver's-license demerit points, to the extent permitted by Wisconsin law.

Nothing in this section prevents law enforcement from enforcing a separate violation of Wisconsin Statutes when the conduct independently violates state law.

**Sec. 62-229. Municipal Forfeiture.**

A person violating this ordinance shall be subject to a municipal forfeiture of $25.00 for first offence, $50.00 for second offence and $100 for third offence, together with applicable court costs and fees, as authorized by law adopted by Village of Roberts Ordinance 1-5 General penalty; continuing violations, execution against defendant's property.

Each violation shall constitute a separate municipal ordinance violation.

**Sec. 62-230. State Law Controls.**

Where this ordinance conflicts with mandatory Wisconsin law, Wisconsin law controls. Electric bicycles shall retain the rights, privileges and duties provided to bicycles under Wisconsin Stat. § 346.806 and other applicable provisions of Wisconsin law.

**Sec. 62-231. Severability.**

If any provision of this ordinance is determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in effect.

**Sec. 62-232 13. Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 14th day of September 2026.

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