

Part 1
Traffic and Parking
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ARTICLE I
General Provisions

§ 171.1. Definitions and interpretation.

171.1.1. Words and phrases used in this Part 1 shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Vehicle Code of Pennsylvania, Act No. 81 of 1976, approved July 9, 1976, P.L. _____¹ (hereinafter referred to as "VEHICLE CODE"), except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

171.1.2. The term "LEGAL HOLIDAYS" as used in this Part 1 shall mean and include New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

171.1.3. In this Part 1 the singular shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

171.1.4. For the purposes of this Part 1, State Route 51 and the streets running parallel or generally parallel thereto shall be deemed to run in a north-south direction and streets and highways perpendicular or generally perpendicular thereto shall be deemed to run in an east-west direction.

171.1.5. "BOROUGH" shall mean the Borough of Whitehall, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

171.1.6. "COUNCIL" shall mean the Council of the BOROUGH.

171.1.7. "MAYOR" shall mean the Mayor of the BOROUGH.

171.1.8. The provisions of the VEHICLE CODE shall be used for determination of all penalties and for enforcement purposes, except as herein otherwise provided. This Part 1 is intended to apply to specific highways and streets which are regulated or restricted in usage.

170.1.9. The provisions of the VEHICLE CODE shall be used for traffic regulations, speed restrictions and parking regulations within the BOROUGH, except as herein otherwise provided.

170.1.10. The term "STREET" or "HIGHWAY" as used in this Part 1 shall

¹ Editor's Note: See 75 Pa. C.S.A. § 101 et seq.

mean and include any and all state highway routes and roads and highways, streets, alleys, lanes and ways within the BOROUGH.

171.1.11 The term "DEAD END" as used in this Part 1 shall mean the end portion of any STREET or HIGHWAY which terminates without connecting to another STREET or HIGHWAY. **[Added by Ord. No. 1077, June 3, 2015]**

171.1.12 The term "CUL-DE-SAC" as used in this Part 1 shall mean a DEAD END configured in a circular manner to accommodate the turnaround of vehicular traffic. **[Added by Ord. No. 1077, June 3, 2015]**

§ 171.2. Adoption of traffic and parking regulations.

All traffic and parking regulations of a permanent nature shall be enacted as ordinances or as parts of ordinances or as amendments to ordinances of the BOROUGH.

§ 171.3. Temporary and emergency regulations.

171.3.1. The MAYOR shall have the following powers to regulate traffic and parking temporarily and in time of emergency;

171.3.1.1. In the case of fire, flood, storm or other emergency, to establish temporary traffic and/or parking regulations.

171.3.1.2. In the case of emergency or to facilitate public works, or in the conduct of parades, processions or public events, to restrict or prohibit traffic and/or parking in limited areas for periods of not more than seventy-two (72) hours.

171.3.2. Such temporary and emergency regulations shall be enforced by the MAYOR and Police Department in the same manner as permanent regulations. Any PERSON who shall operate or park a vehicle or tractor in violation of any such regulation, or who shall move, remove, destroy, injure or deface any sign or marking erected, posted or made to give notice of any such regulation, shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable to the penalty set forth in this Part I.

171.3.3. In anticipation of or during any event, including but not limited to emergencies, which shall occur in the BOROUGH and which shall require temporary motor vehicle parking regulation, the MAYOR of the BOROUGH is hereby authorized to designate STREETS for no parking and to cause no-parking signs to be erected for such duration as shall be necessary for the efficient and safe movement of traffic, with the same force and effect as though this Part 1 specifically designated the no-parking area.

§ 171.4. Experimental regulations.

171.4.1. The MAYOR is hereby empowered to make a ninety-day trial of any traffic regulation; provided that in advance of its becoming effective, the COUNCIL

shall be notified in writing of such proposed regulation, with reasons for it, and provided that notice of such regulation by signs shall be given to the public in advance of its enforcement. After the day the said regulation so becomes effective, it shall govern traffic for a period of ninety (90) days thereafter, within which time there shall be introduced to the COUNCIL an ordinance embodying such regulation or such part thereof as it may be desired to have continued in force, and such regulation as is embodied in such ordinance shall continue in force during such time as said ordinance shall be pending.

171.4.2. If no ordinance embodying such regulation or any part thereof shall be introduced to the COUNCIL within said period of ninety (90) days, or if any such ordinance shall fail of final enactment, then such regulation shall be no longer in force.

171.4.3. The COUNCIL may at any time rescind any such trial regulation by a written resolution presented to the MAYOR. Upon receipt of such resolution, the MAYOR shall immediately cause such regulation to be withdrawn and the regulation which applied prior to it again enforced.

§ 171.5. Authority to direct traffic.

The police officers of the BOROUGH are hereby given authority to direct traffic on the HIGHWAYS of the BOROUGH and at intersections thereof, in shopping centers and apartment complexes where requested by the owner to direct the traffic and on school property when so requested by the school authorities.