

# COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

CITY COUNCIL of SALT LAKE CITY

**TO:** City Council Members

FROM: Russell Weeks

Senior Policy Analyst

**DATE:** March 29, 2018 at 8:27 PM

RE: BICYCLE LICENSING AMENDMENTS

Item Schedule:

Briefing: April 3, 2018 Set Date: Not Applicable

Public Hearing: Not Applicable Potential Action: April 17, 2018

#### **ISSUE AT-A-GLANCE**

Goal of the briefing: To determine if the proposed ordinance amendments are ready for formal Council consideration.

The Department's goal is to make it easier to register bicycles so stolen bikes can be identified and returned to the rightful owners.

The proposed amendments to Salt Lake City Code sections 5.18 and 12.80 would:

- End the requirement for bicycle retailers to obtain written, triplicate paper forms from the Police Department to fill out to license bicycles they sell. Under current procedures the completed forms then have to be returned to appropriate government agencies.
- o Initiate a link at the Police Department website <a href="www.slcpd.com">www.slcpd.com</a> for retailers to license bicycles. Residents also may license their bicycles at the link.
- o Eliminate a \$2 fee per bicycle license retailers pay to license bicycles.

The Police Department estimates the total revenue loss from eliminating the fee at less than \$3,000 a year.

Department records indicate that 1,194 bicycles were stolen in calendar year 2017. Another 212 bicycles were found abandoned. Of the combined 1,406 bicycles reported stolen or found abandoned, 83 were returned to their owners.<sup>1</sup>



#### **POLICY QUESTIONS**

1. If the amendments are adopted, would the City Council like to have at least a written report a year from now on how many stolen or abandoned bicycles have been returned to owners?

#### **ADDITIONAL & BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Utah law requires all cities and counties to adopt ordinances requiring stores that sell bicycles within a city's or county's borders to license all bicycles sold in their shops. It also requires stores to record the name and address of the retailer, the year and make of the bicycle; a general description of the vehicle; its frame number; and the name and address of the person buying the bicycle.<sup>2</sup>

Previous City Councils adopted a licensing ordinance, and an ordinance requiring that each bicycle sold be inspected "with relation to its frame number, operating condition, brakes, warning device, reflector and handlebars." The inspection requirement appears in part to be a result of Utah law which requires any bicycle operating at night to have a front light, a back light, and reflective tape. 4 Most bicycles are equipped with reflectors when purchased, but lights generally are sold separately.

The Police Department uses the licensing requirement to allow officers to identify stolen bicycles and return them to their rightful owners.<sup>5</sup> The proposed amendments would allow bicycle retailers to license bicycles for free on a Police Department website instead of the current practice of obtaining triplicate forms from the Department, returning the completed forms to the Department, and paying the City \$2 per license.

The Department has proposed the amendments because the current ordinances have not accomplished the Legislature's intent of creating a tool to verify bicycle ownership. Bicycle licensing forms often are delayed by weeks or months and don't always make it into the licensing system. Police officers also have found the system containing the licenses hard to access, and many individual bicycle owners don't register their bicycles because of the requirements to obtain licensing forms and paying fees. As a result, police officers cannot verify whether a bicycle is stolen, or who owns a bicycle so it can be returned if it is found to be stolen or abandoned. The Department donates about 300 to 400 bicycles a year, largely because it is unable to locate owners.<sup>6</sup>

Other proposed amendments would eliminate the requirement that bicycles be inspected before they're sold. However, another ordinance allows a peace officer to "require a person riding a bicycle to stop and submit the bicycle to an inspection and a test as appropriate," if the officer "has reasonable cause to believe" the bicycle is unsafe or "not equipped as required by law."<sup>7</sup>

According to the Administration transmittal, the Police Department service desk for bicycle licenses received \$380 in revenue in Fiscal Year 2015-2016, and \$310 in Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Revenue from bulk license purchases was \$2,300 and \$2,285 respectively in the same two fiscal years. Revenue from bulk licenses purchases in the current fiscal year is about \$1,000.8 Including the service desk revenue, the figures mean 1,340 bicycles were licensed in the City in Fiscal Year 2016 and 1,298 licensed bicycles in Fiscal Year 2017. (Revenue/fee per license = licenses issued.)

The proposed amendments also would allow individual bicycle owners to register their bicycles at the website.

If the City Council adopts the proposed amendments, the Police Department Public Relations Unit will prepare a media release. The Department also would partner with the Transportation Division to get links put on multiple city sites to allow citizens to easily find the new license registration link. In addition, the Department will contact bicycle shops and organizations to show the ease and benefits of registration. Officers will start notifying people of the licensing registration requirements to show them the simplified and free process. Officers also will help any citizen they come in contact with to complete the registration on the spot.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Email, Captain Scott Teerlink, March 28, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Utah State Code 11-21-1. <sup>3</sup> Salt Lake City Code 12.80.010.B and 12.080.020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Utah State Code 41-6a-1603. <sup>5</sup> Transmittal, Police Chief Mike Brown, February 20, 2018, Page 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Email, Teerlink, March 28.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Salt Lake City Code 12.80.035.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Transmittal, Page 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Email, Teerlink, March 28.



## CITY COUNCIL TRANSMITTAL

Date Received:

TO:

Salt Lake City Council

Erin Mendenhall, Chair

DATE: February 20, 2018

FROM:

Mike Brown, Chief, Salt Lake City Police Department

**SUBJECT: REVISED** - Bicycle Licensing Ordinance Amendments

STAFF CONTACTS: Scott Teerlink, Captain - Patrol Bureau, (801) 799-3000

**DOCUMENT TYPE:** Ordinance

**RECOMMENDATION:** Request City Council to approve amendments to ordinance sections 5.18.030, 5.18.040, 5.18.060, 12.80.010, 12.80.010, 12.80.020, 12.80.030, 12.80.180, and 12.80.190 which will streamline the licensing of bicycles in Salt Lake City.

#### BUDGET IMPACT:

The Police service desk revenue for bike licenses was approximately \$380 in FY 2016 and \$310 in FY 2017.

The City also shows a revenue for bicycle permits that are sold in bulk. These revenues were \$2300 in FY 2016, \$2285 in FY 2017 and \$1000 to date in FY 2018. It may be that an ordinance change would result in unused permits being returned to the city for credit.

Overall, based on the historical revenues, the financial impact would be less than \$3000 per year less related expenses to purchase the stickers. This change would also result in a reduction in workload to inspect and register the bicycles by employees.

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Licensing bicycles in Salt Lake City is a priority for the Salt Lake City Police Department ("SLCPD") because it allows officers to identify stolen and lost bicycles and return them to their rightful owners. However, the current ordinances governing the licensing and registration of bicycles create a cumbersome and antiquated process for licensing and registering bicycles which discourages licensing and registration by both bicycle dealers and bicycle owners. For example, the current process involves the use of City-supplied paper forms that must be filled out in triplicate and then forwarded to relevant entities. The amendments to the ordinances

governing licensing and registration of bicycles will eliminate the use of paper forms and allow bicycle dealers and residents to license their bicycles online. The amendments also eliminate the collection of a \$2.00 fee to license a bicycle, which should further encourage licensure.

## Amendments to Section 5.18.030

The amendments to this section eliminate references to registration because there is no need to distinguish between "registering" a bicycle and "licensing" a bicycle. Additionally, Utah Code does not require registration, but does require licensure of bicycles. *See* Utah Code 11-21-1.

The amendments to this section also strike language that required paper forms provided by the City. In its place, the amendments contemplate licensure online through a link on the SLCPD's webpage.

Finally, the amendments eliminate the \$2.00 fee for licensure and registration.

#### Amendment to Section 5.18.040

The amendment to this section eliminates a reference to registration.

#### Amendment to Section 5.18.060

The amendment to this section eliminates a reference to registration.

#### Amendments to Section 12.80.010

The amendments to this section eliminate references to registration, the requirement that a bicycle must be inspected before it is licensed, and the fee that is charged to license a bicycle.

#### Amendments to Section 12.80.020

The amendments to this section eliminate reference to the requirement that a bicycle must be inspected before it is licensed, as well as references to bicycle owners or users who may be residents of Salt Lake County to determine whether licensure must occur.

#### Amendments to Section 12.80.030

The amendments to this section strike language referencing a physical license as well as references to fees to be charged for licensure.

#### Amendments to Section 12.80.180

The amendments to this section fix a typographical error and eliminates reference to bicycle license decals since those will no longer be provided.

## Amendment to Section 12.80.190

The amendment to this section eliminates a reference to registration.

## ALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

(Bicycle Licensing Required)

An ordinance amending Sections 55.18.030, 5.18.040, 5.18.060, 12.80.010, 12.80.020, 12.80.030, 12.80.180, and 12.80.190 of the Salt Lake City Code, relating to the registration of bicycles sold in Salt Lake City.

WHEREAS, the licensing of bicycles in Salt Lake City allows the Salt Lake City Police Department to identify lost and stolen bicycles and return them to their rightful owners;

WHEREAS, the current bicycle licensure and registration ordinances are cumbersome and antiquated and discourage the licensure of bicycles in Salt Lake City;

WHEREAS, the amendments to the ordinances that govern bicycle licensure will streamline and facilitate the licensure of bicycles;

WHEREAS, the increased number of licensed bicycles will facilitate crime fighting efforts by the Salt Lake City Police Department and the return of bicycles to their rightful owners;

Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 5.18.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## **5.18.030: Bicycle Licensing Required:**

It is unlawful for any bicycle dealer to fail to license any used or new bicycle sold, bartered, given away, exchanged or repaired by such dealer. The licensing shall be completed as follows:

A. Licensing shall be required of all bicycles sold in Salt Lake City. The Salt Lake City Police Department will facilitate licensing through a bicycle licensing link on its website at <a href="https://www.slcpd.com">www.slcpd.com</a>. Licensing will require the following information:

- 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer;
- 2. Name and address of purchaser;
- 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
- 4. General description of the bicycle; and
- 5. Frame and/or serial number of the bicycle.

B. There shall be no cost to bicycle dealers or purchasers to license a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.

SECTION 2. That Section 5.18.040 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

#### **5.18.040:** Serial Numbers on Bicycles:

No dealer may sell, give away, or otherwise dispose of any bicycle which does not contain a serial number. If the bicycle does not have a serial number, the dealer shall impress in the metal frame a serial number consisting of the license number and followed by the NCIC number for the police department in the user's area.

SECTION 3. That Section 5.18.060 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## **5.18.060:** Selling Bicycles Without Title Prohibited:

It is unlawful for any bicycle dealer to sell or otherwise dispose of any bicycle unless the dealer can show a good title thereto, either by bill of sale from a seller, or from the former owner, or by licensure.

SECTION 4. That Section 12.80.010 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 12.80.010: Licensing for Owners:

A. It is unlawful for any person to operate or ride a bicycle upon any of the streets, alleys, sidewalks or public ways of this city:

- 1. If such bicycle has not been licensed; or
- 2. If the license for such bicycle has been duly suspended or revoked.

- B. Any license issued under the provisions of this chapter shall be valid until either:
  - 1. the transfer of ownership of the bicycle; or
  - 2. the suspension or revocation of the license.
- C. No fee will be charged to license a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.
- D. Owners may license a bicycle through the bicycle licensing link on the Salt Lake City Police Department's website at <a href="www.slcpd.com">www.slcpd.com</a>. Licensing will require the following information:
  - 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer where bicycle purchased, if available;
  - 2. Name and address of owner;
  - 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
  - 4. General description of the bicycle; and
  - 5. Frame and/or serial number of the bicycle.

SECTION 5. That Section 12.80.020 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended

as follows:

## 12.80.020: Dealer Licensing:

All dealers required to obtain a license pursuant to the provisions of section  $\underline{5.18.020}$  et seq., of this code, or successor sections, will, at the time of sale of a new or used bicycle, license such bicycle in accord with the provisions of section  $\underline{5.18.030}$  of this code, or its successor.

SECTION 6. That Section 12.80.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby

amended as follows:

## 12.80.030: Police Licensing Powers and Duties:

The chief of police is authorized and directed to prepare and issue regulations governing the inspection and licensing of bicycles required to be licensed but not validly licensed by dealers as above required; provided, that any such license so issued or heretofore issued by the police department shall, unless revoked or suspended, be valid for the life of such bicycle or until the transfer of ownership thereof. No fee will be charged to license a bicycle under the provisions of this section.

SECTION 7. That Section 12.80.180 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

#### 12.80.180: Alteration of License or Frame Number Prohibited:

No person shall willfully or maliciously destroy, mutilate or alter the number of any bicycle frame number or any bicycle license issued pursuant to this code.

SECTION 8. That Section 12.80.190 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 12.80.190: License; Suspension or Revocation When; Impoundment:

A. The city judges or judges of juvenile courts who hear traffic cases are hereby empowered to revoke or suspend the license of any bicycle when it appears that the owner of any bicycle is not the licensee of record, or that the owner of the bicycle or the licensee thereof has used or knowingly permitted the bicycle to be used in violation of this code.

B. The police department is hereby directed and authorized to impound any bicycle so used in violation of this code for a reasonable period of time pending investigation of any alleged violation of this code, or until such bicycle is licensed by the owner thereof and equipped as herein provided.

SECTION 9. <u>Effective Date.</u> That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the date of its first publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt	Lake City, Utah this day of
, 2018.	
	CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST AND COUNTERSIGN:		
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CITY RECORDER (SEAL)	S	APPROVED AS TO FORM salt Lake City Attorney's Office Date: February 15, 2016
Bill No of 2018. Published:	1	By: Mark E. Kittrell, Senior City Attorney

## SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

(Bicycle Licensing Required)

An ordinance amending Sections 5.18.030, 5.18.040, 5.18.060, 12.80.010, 12.80.020, 12.80.030, 12.80.180, and 12.80.190 of the Salt Lake City Code, relating to the registration of bicycles sold in Salt Lake City.

WHEREAS, the licensing of bicycles in Salt Lake City allows the Salt Lake City Police Department to identify lost and stolen bicycles and return them to their rightful owners;

WHEREAS, the current bicycle licensure and registration ordinances are cumbersome and antiquated and discourage the licensure of bicycles in Salt Lake City;

WHEREAS, the amendments to the ordinances that govern bicycle licensure will streamline and facilitate the licensure of bicycles;

WHEREAS, the increased number of licensed bicycles will facilitate crime fighting efforts by the Salt Lake City Police Department and the return of bicycles to their rightful owners;

Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 5.18.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## **5.18.030: Bicycle Licensing Required:**

It is unlawful for any bicycle dealer to fail to license or register any used or new bicycle sold, bartered, given away, exchanged or repaired by such dealer. The licensing or registration shall be completed as follows:

A. Licensing shall be required of all bicycles sold for use in Salt Lake County City. Licensing shall be on a form supplied by Salt Lake City Corporation to such dealers at cost. Dealers may charge the customer no more than two dollars (\$2.00) for the license

eosts. The Salt Lake City Police Department will facilitate licensing through a bicycle licensing link on its website at www.slcpd.com. Licensing will require the following information:

- 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer;
- 2. Name and address of purchaser;
- 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
- 4. General description of the bicycle; and
- 1.5.Frame and/or serial number of the bicycle.
- B. Registration shall be required of all bicycles sold for use outside the county. Registration shall be on a form supplied by the city at cost to dealers. Dealers may charge the customer no more than two dollars (\$2.00) for the registration costs. There shall be no cost to bicycle dealers or purchasers to license a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.

C. The licensing and registration forms shall be in different colors and shall be filled out in triplicate with the first copy going to the purchaser; the second copy shall be mailed to the appropriate law enforcement division where the intended user resides within seven (7) days of date of sale; and the third copy shall be retained by the dealer for a period of three (3) years from date of sale. All entries shall be typewritten or printed in ink, and shall contain the following information:

- 1. Name and address of intended user or owner;
- 2. Make, model number, frame number, frame size, wheel size, color of bicycle, dealer's name and address, number of grooves on said bike, license number or registration number; and
- 3. Such other information as the city may require by printing appropriate spaces on the forms

SECTION 2. That Section 5.18.040 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby

amended as follows:

## 5.18.040: Serial Numbers on Bicycles:

No dealer may sell, give away, or otherwise dispose of any bicycle which does not contain a serial number. If the bicycle does not have a serial number, the dealer shall impress in the metal frame a serial number consisting of the license or registration number and followed by the NCIC number for the police department in the user's area.

SECTION 3. That Section 5.18.060 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby

amended as follows:

## **5.18.060:** Selling Bicycles Without Title Prohibited:

It is unlawful for any bicycle dealer to sell or otherwise dispose of any bicycle unless the dealer can show a good title thereto, either by bill of sale from a seller, or from the former owner, or by registration licensure.

SECTION 4. That Section 12.80.010 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby

amended as follows:

## 12.80.010: Licensing for Owners:

A. It is unlawful for any person to operate or ride a bicycle upon any of the streets, alleys, sidewalks or public ways of this city:

- 1. Unless If such bicycle has <u>not</u> been <del>registered</del>, licensed, and is displaying the proper license, as hereinafter provided; or
- 2. If After the license for such bicycle has been duly suspended or revoked.

B. Every bicycle, before being so registered and licensed, must be inspected with relation to its frame number, operating condition, brakes, warning device, reflector and handlebars.

- <u>CB</u>. Any license issued under the provisions of this chapter shall be valid until <u>either:</u>
  - 1. the transfer of ownership of the bicycle; or
  - 1.2.the suspension or revocation of the license., or until the bicycle license so issued is destroyed, lost or mutilated, at which time such bicycle shall again be so inspected, registered and licensed as herein provided.

<u>DC</u>. The <u>No</u> fee to be paid for each bicyclewill be charged to license or relicense because of transfer of title or destruction, loss or mutilation of the license, or for any other reason, shall be as set forth on the Salt Lake City consolidated fee schedule, payable in advance a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.

D. Owners may license a bicycle through the bicycle licensing link on the Salt Lake City Police Department's website at www.slcpd.com. Licensing will require the following information:

- 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer where bicycle purchased, if available;
- 2. Name and address of owner;
- 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
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SECTION 5. That Section 12.80.020 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended

as follows:

## 12.80.020: Dealer Licensing:

All dealers required to obtain a license pursuant to the provisions of section <u>5.18.020</u> et seq., of this code, or successor sections, <u>shallwill</u>, at the time of sale of a new or used bicycle, license <u>and inspect</u>-such bicycle, if the purchaser is a resident of Salt Lake County or if the bicycle is purchased for use by an individual who is a resident of the county, as determined by completing the questionnaire required to be completed pursuant to in accord with the provisions of section <u>5.18.030</u> of this code, or its successor.

SECTION 6. That Section 12.80.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 12.80.030: Police Licensing Powers and Duties:

The chief of police is authorized and directed to prepare and issue regulations governing the inspection and licensing of bicycles required to be licensed but not validly licensed by dealers as above required; provided, that any such license so issued or heretofore issued by the police department shall, <u>unless revoked or suspended</u>, be valid for the life of such bicycle or until the transfer of ownership thereof, or until the license issued to such bicycle becomes destroyed, lost or mutilated, at which time the bicycle shall again be inspected, registered and licensed or relicensed. The cost of any No fee will be charged to licensing or relicensing license a bicycle under the provisions of this section shall be one dollar (\$1.00), payable in advance.

SECTION 7. That Section 12.80.180 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

#### 12.80.180: Alteration of License or Frame Number Prohibited:

No person shall willfully or maliciously destroy, mutilate or alter the number of any bicycle frame number, or any bicycle license issued pursuant to this code-or remove, destroy or mutilate any license decal while the same is valid, or operate any vehicle without having attached thereto a valid license decal issued as provided in this code.

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## CITY COUNCIL TRANSMITTAL

Patrick Leary, Chief of Staff

Date Received: February 2,2018
Date sent to Council: February 2,2018

TO:

Salt Lake City Council

Erin Mendenhall, Chair

FROM:

Mike Brown, Chief, Salt Lake City Police Department

SUBJECT:

Bicycle Licensing Ordinance Amendments

STAFF CONTACTS: Scott Teerlink, Captain - Patrol Bureau, (801) 799-3000

**DOCUMENT TYPE:** Ordinance

**RECOMMENDATION**: Request City Council to approve amendments to ordinance sections 5.18.030, 12.80.010, 12.80.020, and 12.80.030 which will streamline the licensing of bicycles in Salt Lake City.

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Finally, the amendments eliminate the \$2.00 fee for licensure and registration.

## Amendments to Section 12.80.010

The amendments to this section eliminate references to registration, the requirement that a bicycle must be inspected before it is licensed, and the fee that is charged to license a bicycle.

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#### Amendments to Section 12.80.030

The amendments to this section strike language referencing a physical license as well as references to fees to be charged for licensure.

## SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_\_ of 2017

(Bicycle Licensing Required)

An ordinance amending Sections 5.18.030, 12.80.010, 12.80.020, and 12.80.030 of the Salt Lake City Code, relating to the registration of bicycles sold in Salt Lake City.

WHEREAS, the licensing of bicycles in Salt Lake City allows the Salt Lake City

Police Department to identify lost and stolen bicycles and return them to their rightful

owners;

WHEREAS, the current bicycle licensure and registration ordinances are cumbersome and antiquated and discourage the licensure of bicycles in Salt Lake City;

WHEREAS, the amendments to the ordinances that govern bicycle licensure will streamline and facilitate the licensure of bicycles;

WHEREAS, the increased number of licensed bicycles will facilitate crime fighting efforts by the Salt Lake City Police Department and the return of bicycles to their rightful owners;

Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 5.18.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 5.18.030: Bicycle Licensing Required:

It is unlawful for any bicycle dealer to fail to license any used or new bicycle sold, bartered, given away, exchanged or repaired by such dealer. The licensing shall be completed as follows:

A. Licensing shall be required of all bicycles sold in Salt Lake City. The Salt Lake City Police Department will facilitate licensing through a bicycle licensing link on its website at <a href="https://www.slcpd.com">www.slcpd.com</a>. Licensing will require the following information:

- 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer:
- 2. Name and address of purchaser;

- 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
- 4. General description of the bicycle; and
- 5. Frame and/or serial number of the bicycle.

B. There shall be no cost to bicycle dealers or purchasers to license a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.

SECTION 2. That Section 12.80.010 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 12.80.010: Licensing for Owners:

A. It is unlawful for any person to operate or ride a bicycle upon any of the streets, alleys, sidewalks or public ways of this city:

- 1. If such bicycle has not been licensed; or
- 2. If the license for such bicycle has been duly suspended or revoked.

B. Any license issued under the provisions of this chapter shall be valid until either:

- 1. the transfer of ownership of the bicycle; or
- 2. the suspension or revocation of the license.

C. No fee will be charged to license a bicycle through the Salt Lake City Police Department.

D. Owners may license a bicycle through the bicycle licensing link on the Salt Lake City Police Department's website at <a href="www.slcpd.com">www.slcpd.com</a>. Licensing will require the following information:

- 1. Name and address of bicycle dealer where bicycle purchased, if available;
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- 3. Make and model year of the bicycle;
- 4. General description of the bicycle; and
- 5. Frame and/or serial number of the bicycle.

SECTION 3. That Section 12.80.020 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended

as follows:

## 12.80.020: Dealer Licensing:

All dealers required to obtain a license pursuant to the provisions of section 5.18.020 et seq., of this code, or successor sections, will, at the time of sale of a new or used bicycle,

license such bicycle in accord with the provisions of section 5.18.030 of this code, or its successor.

SECTION 4. That Section 12.80.030 of the Salt Lake City Code is hereby amended as follows:

## 12.80.030: Police Licensing Powers and Duties:

The chief of police is authorized and directed to prepare and issue regulations governing the inspection and licensing of bicycles required to be licensed but not validly licensed by dealers as above required; provided, that any such license so issued or heretofore issued by the police department shall, unless revoked or suspended, be valid for the life of such bicycle or until the transfer of ownership thereof. No fee will be charged to license a bicycle under the provisions of this section.

SECTION 5. <u>Effective Date.</u> That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the date of its first publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake C	City, Utah this day of
, 2018.	
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ATTEST AND COUNTERSIGN:	
CITY RECORDER	
Transmitted to Mayor on	
Mayor's Action:Approved.	Vetoed.
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