



*City of Charleston*  
*South Carolina*

John Tecklenberg  
Mayor

Daniel Riccio  
Director

Department of Livability and Tourism

**TOURISM COMMISSION**

A meeting of the Tourism Commission will be held on Wednesday February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 5:00pm, at 80 Broad Street.

1. Call to order
2. Moment of Silence
3. Public Input
4. Items for Discussion (Action may or may not be taken on any of the below items):
  - a. Review proposed changes to Chapter 29 of the Code of the City of Charleston pertaining to sidewalk management for walking tours
  - b. Review proposed changes to Chapter 29 of the Code of the City of Charleston pertaining to the addition of G.P.S. units to Article V.
  - c. Review proposed lectures for tour guide continuing education
5. Adjournment

Ratification  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

## AN ORDINANCE

TO AMEND CHAPTER 29 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON BY ADDING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE BLOCKING OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY BY WALKING TOURS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS OF CHARLESTON, IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

Section 1. Section 29-261 of Chapter 29 of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended by amended by inserting the following new subsection alphabetical order:

Section 2. (c). Tour groups of any size shall not obstruct or otherwise inhibit the free, safe and efficient flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic on any public right-of-way or public property including into and out of private property adjacent to any public right-of-way.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon ratification.

Ratified in City Council this \_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_ in the Year of Our Lord, 2019,  
and in the \_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup> Year of the Independence of  
the United States of America

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John Tecklenburg, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Council

## PROPOSED

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE V, SEC. 29-206 (a), 29-208 (c) (5) and(c) (6), Sec. 29-209, and SEC. 29-212 (b) and (c) (1) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON PERTAINING TO THE GATEKEEPER LOADING AND MEDALLION ISSUANCE PROCEDURE, RECORDING OF TOUR INFORMATION, SANITATION COMMUNICATION, AND MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS OF CHARLESTON, IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

Section 1. Chapter 29, Article V, Sec. 29-206 (a) of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended so that hereafter said Sections shall read as follows (amendatory language in **bold and double underlined** and a ~~strikethrough~~ for a deletion):

(a) The city shall establish a central location at the corner of North Market and Church Streets for the distribution of medallions to be issued in the conduct of tours in the zones of operation as established pursuant to section 29-208 of the Code of the City of Charleston. The central location point shall be designated as the "gate" which will consist of a structure to be occupied by a city employee authorized to issue medallions for touring as provided herein, said employee to be more commonly referred to as the "gatekeeper." The gate loading procedure shall require an animal-drawn vehicle to load and discharge passengers as herein provided and to pass through the gate to receive a medallion **and a GPS unit.** This medallion shall indicate the zone in which the animal-drawn vehicle shall conduct its tour. The zone designation shall be obtained by random selection by the gatekeeper as hereinafter provided. The medallion shall be issued by the gatekeeper and affixed to the back of the animal-drawn vehicle. **The GPS unit shall be used by the driver of the animal drawn vehicle to mark animal excreta on the public right of way.** Upon completion of the tour, the medallion, **and the GPS unit** shall be returned to the gatekeeper by the driver or company representative of the animal-drawn vehicle having been issued the medallion. A medallion, **and GPS unit** shall be returned to the gatekeeper no later than seventy-five (75) minutes after its issuance. **Loss or damage of a GPS unit shall result in the company assigned the unit being charged the cost of replacement of the unit.**

Section 2. Chapters 29, Article V, Sec. 29-208 (c) (5) of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended so that hereafter said Sections shall read as follows (amendatory language in **bold and double underlined** and a ~~strikethrough~~ for a deletion):

(5) When a medallion is issued, the gatekeeper shall record the company's name, the animal-drawn vehicle driver's name, medallion number, **GPS unit number,** and the time that it is issued. No animal-drawn vehicle shall be issued more than one (1) medallion within forty-five (45) minutes from the time of issuance of the first medallion. When the medallion is

returned, the check-in time shall be recorded by the gatekeeper. The gatekeeper shall verify that the maximum check-out time has not been exceeded.

(6) A medallion and GPS unit shall be returned to the gatekeeper no later than seventy-five (75) minutes from the time of its issuance.

Section 3. Chapters 29, Article V, Sec. 29-209 of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended so that hereafter said Sections shall read as follows (amendatory language in **bold and double underlined** and a ~~strikethrough~~ for a deletion)::

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or other entity to utilize any animal for the purpose of pulling any vehicle on city streets unless such animal is equipped with diapering apparatus that prevents the droppings of such animal from being deposited or otherwise left on city streets. It shall be the responsibility of the person, firm, corporation or other entity utilizing any animal-drawn vehicle to see that the diapering apparatus is maintained in working order. Further, every animal-drawn vehicle shall be equipped with a two-way communication system, a GPS unit, and flags to identify areas in need of sanitation. It shall be the responsibility of the person, firm, corporation or other entity utilizing any animal-drawn vehicle to drop a sanitation flag, marking areas where animals deposit or otherwise leave excreta on city streets and to use a GPS unit or utilize two-way communications to provide notice of areas in need of equine sanitation.

Section 4. Chapters 29, Article V, Sec. 29-212 of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended by adding the following new definition in alphabetical order and renumbering and alphabetizing the existing definitions:

GPS unit shall mean a device supplied at the gate for the use of marking animal excreta.

Section 5. Chapters 29, Article V, Sec. 29-212 (c) of the Code of the City of Charleston is hereby amended by adding the following after (c) (g):

h. One GPS unit to mark animal excreta.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective upon ratification.

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\_\_\_\_\_ in the Year of Our Lord, 2019,  
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