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1. 2025 Crime Data Summary

ACTION ITEMS

1. E-Bike and E-Motorcycle Code Amendments

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT



DATE: July 8th, 2026
TO: Public Safety Committee
FROM: Police Chief Andy McCurdy
CC: Public Safety Committee Meeting Packet 07/15/2026
RE: 2025 Crime Statistics

Based on the WASPC NIBRS reports for Sumner Police Department from 2024 and 2025, there are several encouraging trends. Overall crime continued to decline in 2025 after already decreasing in 2024, suggesting that the department's proactive policing, crime prevention efforts, and partnerships are having a measurable impact.

Overall Crime Continues to Decline

Measure	2024	2025	Change
Total Group A Offenses	764	532	-30.4%
Group A Arrests	112	99	-11.6%
Offenses Cleared	136	118	-13.2%
Clearance Rate	17.8%	22.2%	+4.4 percentage points

Key Observation

While arrests and cleared cases declined slightly because there were substantially fewer crimes to investigate, the **clearance rate improved from 17.8% to 22.2%**, indicating investigators and patrol officers solved a larger percentage of reported crimes.

Major Crime Trends

Property Crime Shows Significant Improvement

Property crimes experienced the largest reductions.

Offense	2024	2025	Change
Larceny/Theft	225	150	-33%
Motor Vehicle Theft	89	38	-57%
Burglary	68	52	-24%
Destruction of Property	152	89	-41%
Robbery	4	2	-50%

Observation

This represents one of the strongest trends in the report. Vehicle thefts were reduced by more than half, and overall theft-related crimes dropped dramatically.

These reductions likely reflect:

- proactive patrol
- targeted enforcement

- increased public awareness
- regional auto theft efforts
- improved investigative follow-up

Violent Crime Remains Relatively Stable

Some violent crimes increased while others decreased.

Increased

- Rape: 3 → 6
- Aggravated Assault: 22 → 28

Decreased

- Simple Assault: 72 → 56
- Intimidation: 5 → 4
- No Contact Order Violations: 24 → 12

Observation

The increase in aggravated assaults should be monitored carefully. However, it occurred while overall assaults declined significantly.

This suggests fewer assaults overall, but a greater proportion involved more serious injuries or weapons.

Domestic Violence

Domestic violence offenses decreased slightly.

- 85 DV offenses (2024)
- 81 DV offenses (2025)

Violations of protection orders dropped **50%**.

Domestic violence injuries remained similar, with most victims suffering minor injuries.

Fraud and Financial Crimes

One area moving in the opposite direction:

Crime	Change
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Fraud	+17%
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Stolen Property	+20%
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These increases mirror statewide and national trends involving:

- online scams
- identity theft
- financial exploitation
- cyber-enabled fraud

Drug Enforcement

Drug offenses decreased.

Offense	Change
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Drug Violations	24 → 18 (-22%)
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Drug Equipment	2 → 1 (-50%)
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The drug profile shifted toward stimulants (50%) with opiates remaining significant (36%).

Property Losses

The financial impact of crime dropped substantially.

Stolen Property

2024:

\$4.09 million

2025:

\$1.83 million

55% reduction

Destroyed property also declined from:

- \$632,217
- to \$181,192

Recovered property decreased because significantly less property was stolen overall.

Weapons

Weapon use remained relatively stable.

Personal weapons continue to account for the majority of assaults.

Firearms decreased from:

13 incidents → 7 incidents.

Arrest Activity

Group A arrests declined modestly.

- Adult arrests: 104 → 96
- Juvenile arrests: 8 → 3

The reduction appears consistent with fewer reported crimes rather than decreased enforcement activity.

Positive Performance Indicators

The department should be proud of several accomplishments:

- Overall crime reduced another **30%**
- Property crime dropped significantly
- Motor vehicle theft reduced by **57%**
- Clearance rate improved by nearly **25%** (17.8% to 22.2%)
- Domestic violence offenses remained stable despite statewide increases
- Juvenile arrests declined substantially
- Financial losses from crime decreased dramatically

Areas to Monitor

Aggravated Assault

The increase from 22 to 28 should be reviewed to determine:

- recurring offenders
- repeat locations
- gang involvement
- substance abuse
- domestic violence connections

Sexual Assault

Although the numbers remain low, reported rapes increased from three to six.

Reviewing these cases may help determine whether:

- reporting practices changed,
- victim confidence increased,
- or a specific trend is emerging.

Fraud

Fraud continues to rise and likely represents one of the fastest-growing crime categories.

Community education and partnerships with financial institutions may help reduce victimization.

Recommendations

1. Continue Focused Property Crime Reduction

The department's strategies are producing measurable results.

Continue:

- proactive directed patrol
- ALPR deployment
- regional partnerships
- offender accountability

2. Analyze Violent Crime

Conduct quarterly reviews of:

- aggravated assaults
- weapons use
- repeat offenders
- domestic violence trends

to identify emerging patterns before they become larger problems.

3. Expand Fraud Prevention

Develop community education campaigns addressing:

- online scams
- elder fraud
- identity theft
- financial exploitation

These offenses often require prevention more than traditional enforcement.

4. Continue Investing in Investigations

The improved clearance rate demonstrates that investigative resources are producing results.

Continued investment in:

- digital evidence
- investigative technology
- regional teams
- training

should further improve case resolution.

5. Maintain Community-Oriented Policing

The sustained reduction in crime suggests current community engagement efforts are effective.

Continue emphasizing:

- neighborhood partnerships
- problem-oriented policing
- youth engagement
- business partnerships
- data-driven deployment

Overall Assessment

The 2025 statistics reflect a very successful year for the Sumner Police Department. Crime declined across nearly every major property crime category, overall reported crime fell by more than **30%**, and investigators solved a greater percentage of reported offenses than in the previous year. While increases in aggravated assault, rape, and fraud warrant continued attention, the overall trends indicate that the department's emphasis on proactive policing, collaboration, and focused investigations is producing meaningful improvements in public safety. These results provide a strong foundation for continued investment in personnel, technology, training, and community partnerships as the department plans for the 2027–2028 budget cycle.



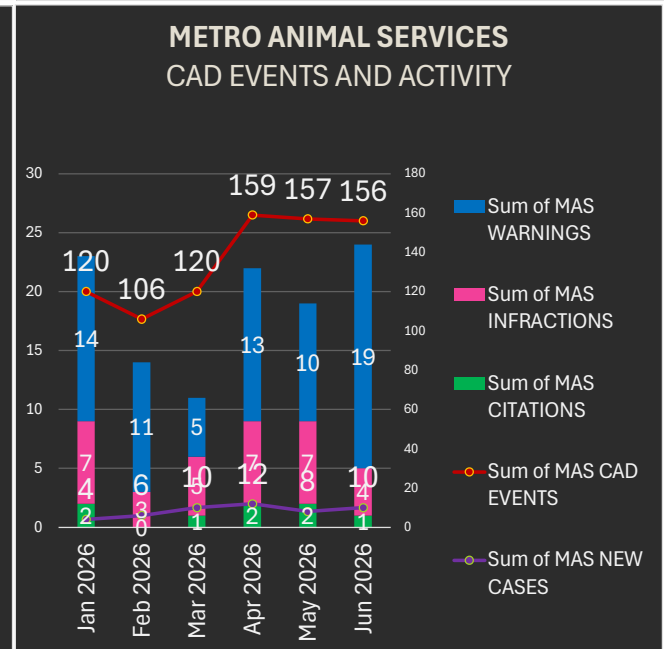
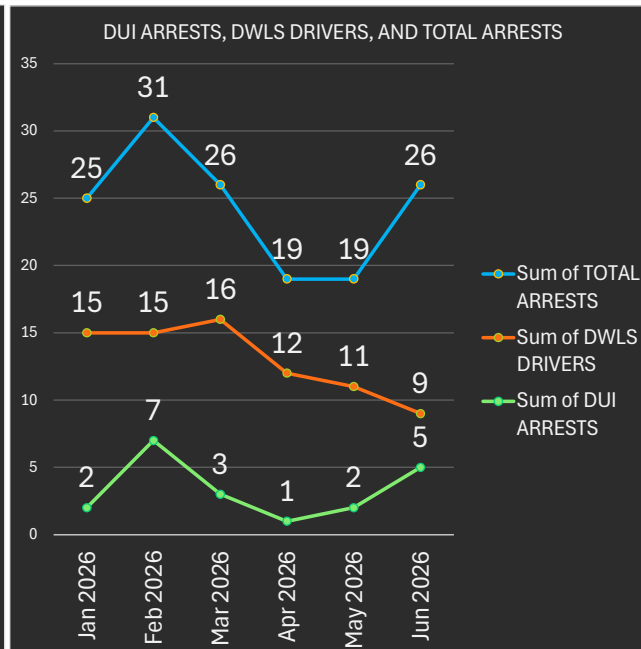
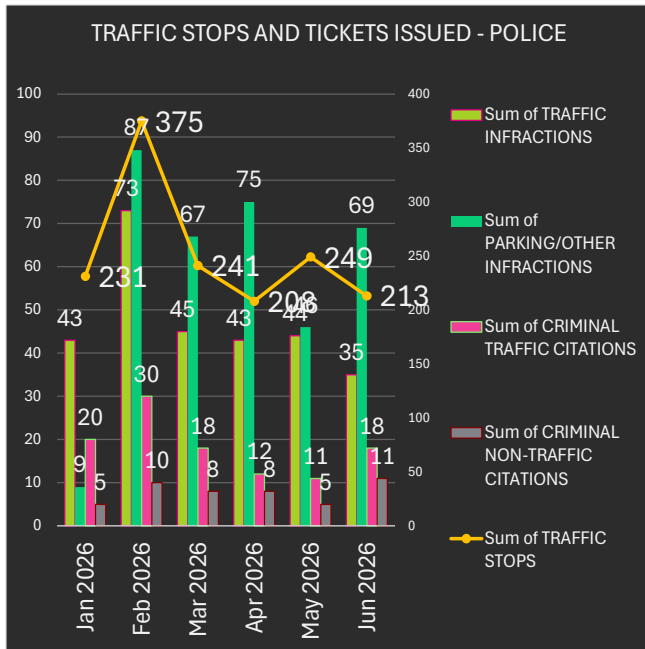
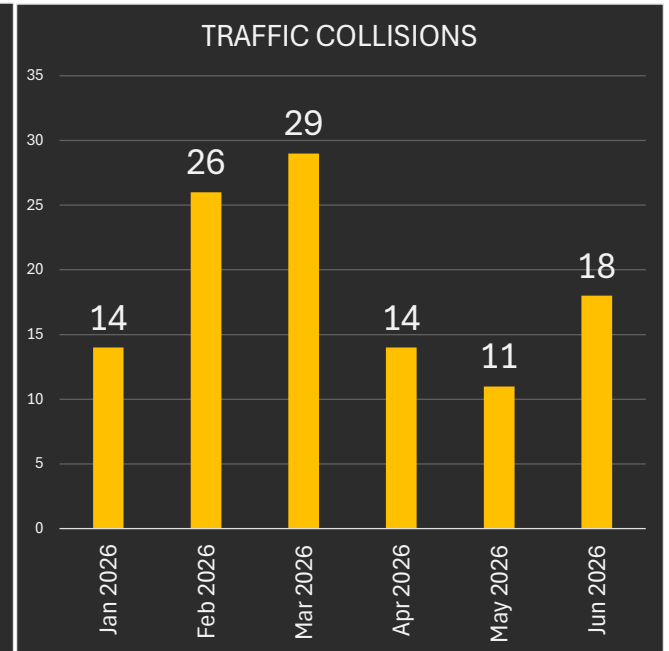
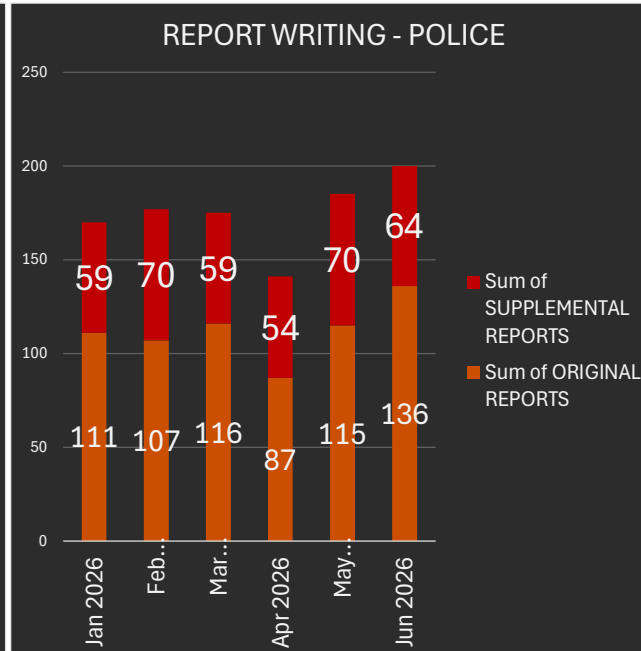
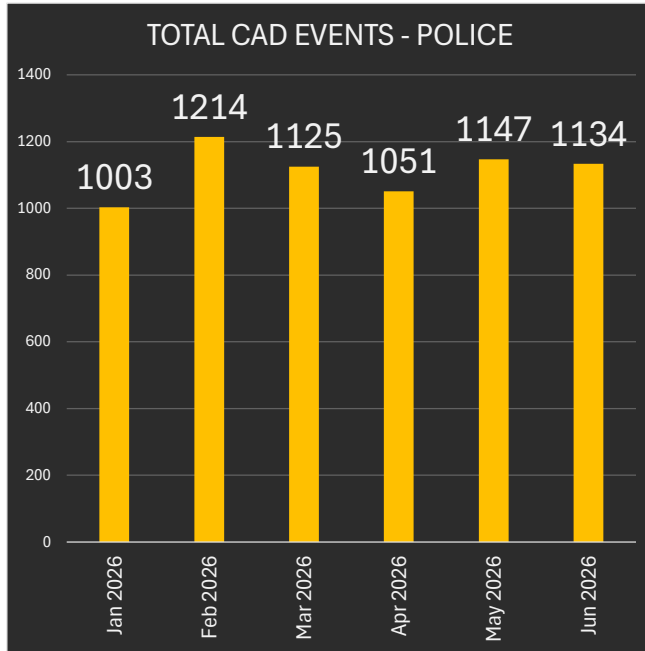
SUMNER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: E-Bike and E-Motorcycle Code Amendments

CATEGORY: Ordinance

BUDGET IMPACT:

Expenditure Required: None

Within Budget Allocation: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance XXXX_E Bicycle Code Updates

STAFF CONTACT: Andy McCurdy, Deputy Police Chief

SUMMARY BACKGROUND:

City codes related to e-bikes and e-motorcycles need to be updated to reflect changes to RCW.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE/STUDY SESSION: Public Safety Committee
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MEETING/STUDY SESSION DATE: 7/15/2026

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS/MOTION:

Section 1. Amending Sumner Municipal Code Section 10.59.010 as follows:

§ 10.59.010. Definitions.

For purposes of SMC § 10.59.010 through § 10.59.070, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section:

- A. "Skateboard" has its ordinary meaning and means a footboard mounted upon four or more wheels and is usually propelled by the user who sometimes stands, sits, kneels or lies upon the device while it is in motion.
- B. "Roller skates" has its ordinary meaning and means a pair of shoes, mounted upon two sets of wheels, and is most often propelled by the user in an upright, standing position or kneeling.
- C. "Scooter" has its ordinary meaning and means a footboard mounted upon two or more wheels and controlled by an upright steering handle. This device is propelled by the user in usually an upright position and is not motorized.
- D. "In-line skates" has its ordinary meaning and means a pair of shoes or boots, mounted upon three or more sets of wheels located one behind the other under the attached shoe or boot, and is most often propelled by the user in an upright, standing position.
- E. "Motorized ~~foot scooter~~ Transportation Device" is a device with ~~no more than up to~~ two 10-inch or smaller diameter wheels that has handlebars, is designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, and is powered by an internal combustion engine or electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion. For purposes of this code, Motorized Transportation Device shall also include a motorized foot scooter and Class 2 and Class 3 electronic bicycles.
- F. "To operate in a negligent manner" means the operation of one or more of the above-described devices in such a manner as to endanger or likely to endanger any person or property. Examples of operating in a negligent manner include, but are not limited to, failure to obey all traffic control devices, or failure to yield right-of-way to pedestrians and/or vehicular traffic, or any other operation which would constitute a violation of the rules of the road, chapter 46.61 RCW, if said operation had been made in a motor vehicle.
- G. "Helmet" when riding a bicycle means a protective covering for the head consisting of a hard outer shell, padding adjacent to and inside the outer shell, and a neck or chin strap type retention system, with a label required by the Federal Consumer Products Safety Commission as adopted by the Code of Federal Regulations 16 CFR 1203. "Helmet" when riding a Motorized Transportation Device or an E-Motorcycle means a protective covering for the head consisting of a hard outer shell, padding adjacent to and inside the outer shell, and a neck or chin strap type retention system, with the manufacturer's certification applied in accordance with 49 CFR Sec. 547-218 indicating that the helmet meets standards established by the United States department of transportation.
- H. "E-Motorcycle" means the definition in RCW 46.04.330 adopted by reference through SMC 10.16.010, which is powered by an electric motor and:
 - (1) is not equipped with fully operable pedals capable of propelling it. Foot pegs are not considered pedals; or
 - (2) has a motor with a power output that exceeds 750 watts; or
 - G. (3) has a motor that continues to provide assistance when the vehicle reaches the speed of twenty-eight miles per hour.

Commented [AM1]: Is this captured in the new definition of E-Motorcycle below?

Section 2: Amending Sumner Municipal Code Section 12.60.040 as follows:

§ 12.60.040. General park, trail, and facility rules.

The following rules apply to all city parks, trails, and facilities unless otherwise modified in this chapter:

- A. No person shall cut, remove, destroy, mutilate, or deface any turf, tree, plant, shrub, flower, structure, monument, statue, vase, fountain, wall, fence, railing, vehicle, bench, lighting system, irrigation system, play equipment, or the property, except normal maintenance.
- B. No person shall leave, deposit, drop, or scatter bottles, broken glass, ashes, wastepaper, cans, or other rubbish in a park except in a garbage can or other receptacle designated for such purposes.
- C. No person shall deposit any household or commercial garbage, refuse, waste, or rubbish which is brought as such from any private property in any garbage can or other receptacle designated for such purpose.
- D. No person shall drain or dump refuse or waste from any trailer, camper or automobile or other vehicle except in designated disposal areas or receptacles.
- E. No person shall pollute or in any way contaminate by dumping or otherwise depositing any waste or refuse of any nature, kind or description, including human waste, urine or other bodily waste, in or on any park, trail, or city facility, or stream, river, lake, or other body of water running in, through, or adjacent to any park, trail, or city facility.
- F. No person shall contaminate or pollute by dumping or otherwise depositing therein soap, detergent, colorings, human or animal urine or other bodily waste in any fountain, pond, or pool.
- G. No person shall clean or wash any automobile or any other vehicle.
- H. No person shall possess, discharge, set off or cause to be discharged in or into any park any firecracker, torpedo, rocket, firework, hand grenade, explosive, or other substance harmful to the life or safety of persons or property.
- I. No person shall discharge across, in, or into any park, trail, or facility a firearm, bow and arrow, air or gas weapon, slingshot, or any device capable of injuring or killing any person or animal or damaging or destroying any public or private property unless otherwise authorized by law.
- J. No person shall annoy, bother, molest, insult or offer an affront to any other person.
- K. No person shall open and/or consume any alcoholic beverages or open and/or consume any marijuana, marijuana-infused product, or marijuana concentrates (RCW 69.50.445), or use tobacco products including but not limited to cigarettes, vapor electric cigarettes, cigars, pipes, or any other smoking device, or chewing tobacco in any public park, along the city's trail system and property adjacent thereto, or within 25 feet of any city facility.

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- L. No person shall practice or play golf.
- M. No Motorized Transportation Devices, including motorized vehicles, scooters or electronic or motorized bicycles, including E-Motorcycles shall be permitted in any City park or on other City-owned facilities other thanexcept battery powered mobility devices wheelchairs, however Class 2 and Class 3 electronic bicycles, operating at a speed of 20mph or less, shall be permitted on the City's trail system.
- N. No riding of bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, or in-line skates shall be allowed, except on pathways, trails, and other areas designated to specifically permit such activities.
- O. No person shall fly rockets or gas powered model aircraft.
- P. All animals in a park or on a trail shall be on a leash, and the owners of the animals shall be responsible for disposing of, in a sanitary fashion, any animal excrement. Horses are not permitted.
- Q. No fires shall be permitted in any park or trail or area adjacent thereto except in designated barbecues or areas.
- R. There shall be no use involving a group or cause promoting hatred, discrimination or otherwise fostering violations of other individuals' civil rights.
- S. Athletic teams participating in an athletic league organized by any public, private or nonprofit organization shall use, for competitive events or for practices, only those fields or facilities designated for use for that athletic event in the Sumner parks and open space plan.
- T. No camping or overnight stays allowed.
- U. It is unlawful to enter or remain in any park, trail, or public facility while closed. (Ord. 1812 § 4, 1997; Ord. 1994 § 1, 2002; Ord. 2480 § 1 (part), 2014; Ord. 2536 § 1, 2015; Ord. 2569 § 1 (part), 2016; Ord. 2677 § 1 (part), 2019; Ord. 2772 § 1, 2021; Ord. 2787 § 1, 2021)

Commented [AM2]: My addition based on the goal of permitting e-bikes on the trails, but prohibiting them in the parks.

Amending SMC § 12.60.190. Violation – Penalty as follows:-

- A. Unless specifically designated in this chapter or otherwise specified in the Revised Code of Washington and adopted by reference as a gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor, any violation of this chapter is a Class 2 civil infraction, and upon a finding that a violation has been committed, the person committing the act shall be assessed a monetary penalty in an amount not to exceed \$125.00 plus applicable statutory assessments. Such penalty is in addition to any other remedies or penalties specifically provided by law. A person is deemed to have committed a separate offense for each day or occurrence during which he or she commits, continues, or permits a violation of any provision of, or permit issued under, this chapter.
- A.B. With respect to any person 16 years of age or younger who operates a Motorized Transportation Device or E-Motorcycle in violation of this chapter, in lieu of the penalty described above, any Sumner police officer may, at their discretion, issue a

Commented [AM3]: Bonney Lake has escalating fines for second and subsequent violations. Does Sumner want something similar?

written notice of violation, take custody of the motorized transportation device or E-Motorcycle, and hold it for safekeeping until the minor's parent or guardian claims the device and pays a \$75.00 impoundment release fee.

Commented [AM4]: We talked about this. Thoughts?

B.C. "Civil infraction" has the meaning given that term by chapter 7.80 RCW, the Infraction Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction ("IRLJ") and any local rule adopted thereto by the Sumner municipal court.

Sumner Municipal Court – Jurisdiction. The Sumner municipal court shall have jurisdiction to adjudicate, in accordance with applicable laws, any violation of this chapter; provided, that in the event jurisdiction over a juvenile lies with another court, that other court shall have jurisdiction to adjudicate the offense.

(Ord. 2245 § 5, 2007; Ord. 2480 § 1 (part), 2014; Ord. 2536 § 3, 2015; Ord. 2677 § 1 (part), 2019; Ord. 1812 § 19, 1997)

Creating a new Chapter, Sumner Municipal Code 12.65, titled -Prohibited Operation of E-Motorcycles

12.65.010 Definitions. The definitions outlined in SMC 10.59.010 as currently enacted, as hereafter amended, as subsequently adopted, or recodified from time to time, shall be adopted herein as if fully set forth and shall apply to the provisions of this chapter.

12.65.020 Prohibited Operation.

A. The following regulations apply to the operation of E-Motorcycles in the City of Sumner streets, rights of way, easements, publicly accessible parking lots, and all opens spaces not otherwise controlled by the City's Parks, Trails and Facilities Rules outlined in SMC 12.60.

1. No person under the age of 16 may operate an E-Motorcycle within the City of Sumner.
2. No person may operate an E-Motorcycle that is not registered with the Washington State Department of Licensing and does not have a valid license plate.
3. No person may operate an E-Motorcycle without a valid driver's license with a motorcycle endorsement.
4. No person may operate an E-Motorcycle on a public street or road unless it meets all of the requirements of RCW 46.61.705.
5. No person may operate an E-Motorcycle on any sidewalk or pedestrian path.
6. A guardian may not authorize, knowingly permit, or by insufficient control allow a minor in their care to operate an E-Motorcycle in violation of this chapter. A guardian who authorizes, knowingly permits, or by insufficient control allows a minor in their care to operate an E-Motorcycle in violation of this chapter shall be jointly and severally liable with the minor, with the guardian cited separately to any violation of this chapter.

Commented [AM5]: Bonney Lake's also talks about trail systems, but that's already in SMC 12.60.

B. Violations of SMC12.65.020 are deemed civil infractions unless otherwise specified herein and are subject to the following monetary penalties:

1. First violation: \$125.00 plus costs and assessments.
2. Second and subsequent violations: \$250.00 plus costs and assessments.

~~7.~~ **12.65.030 Helmet Required and Penalty**

1. Any person operating an E-Motorcycle on city streets or rights of way in the City of Sumner, or on any city property shall wear a helmet and shall have either the neck or chin strap of the helmet fastened securely while the E-Motorcycle is in motion.
2. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed to have committed a traffic infraction and shall be subject to a penalty of \$50.00 plus costs and assessments.

12.65.040 Impoundment

~~4.2.1.~~ In addition, a police officer may take custody of an E-Motorcycle at their discretion and provide for its prompt removal to a place of safety under any of the following circumstances:

- A. Upon determining that a person is operating an E-Motorcycle without a valid, unexpired and if required, a specially endorsed driver's license.

~~4.2.~~ All towing and hauling and storage charges on each E-Motorcycle impound pursuant to this chapter shall be paid by the registered owner thereof or their agent, or other persons redeeming the E-Motorcycle. A \$75.00 impoundment release fee will be required to be paid before any E-Motorcycle shall be released. In no event shall the City be liable for any such charge.

12.65.050 Enforcement Authority.

The Sumner Police Department is authorized to enforce the provisions of this chapter and may issue civil infractions, impound E-Motorcycles and take other lawful actions necessary to protect public safety and ensure compliance.

[INSERT ALL OTHER STANDARD ORDINANCE SECTIONS HERE]