

ORDINANCE NO. 1029

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING NORTHFIELD CITY CODE, CHAPTER 50 – OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD DOES ORDAIN THAT:

SECTION 1. Northfield Code, Chapter 50 – Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article III. – Offenses Involving Public Safety, is hereby amended to add a new Sec. 50-57, as follows:

Sec. 50-57. – Climbing on or jumping off bridges prohibited.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to climb on or jump or dive off or from any bridge, overpass, roadway, or other structure over or into any channel or narrow passageway of any public water within the City.
- (b) *Exceptions.* This section shall not apply to:
 - (1) *Authorized work.* Employees, inspectors, contractors or agents authorized by a governmental unit or agency to perform work on any bridge, overpass, roadway, or other structure shall be exempt from this section.
 - (2) *Public safety.* Any person or law enforcement officer or other public safety personnel in an emergency situation as necessary to perform a rescue or otherwise provide aid or assistance in an emergency involving an imminent threat to the life or safety of one or more persons shall be exempt from this section.
 - (3) *Government sponsored permitted or licensed activities.* Certain government, and/or government permitted or licensed public or private activities related to public entertainment, including but not limited to community events, shall be exempt from this section.
- (c) *Penalty.* Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$300.00.

Sec. 50-58—50-85. - Reserved.

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its publication.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Northfield, Minnesota, this 18th day of January, 2022.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

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Second Reading: 01/18/2022

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