Administrative Policy Directive
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Cell Phone Usage While Driving and Operating Equipment

Purpose:

In accordance with State law and the City of Durango’s efforts to ensure road safety for employees and other drivers, the City will regulate the use of cell phones in City-owned, leased, or personal vehicles while on City business.

Policies:

City employees shall not use a cell phone of any kind while operating a City owned, leased, personal vehicle or other motorized equipment while on City business, unless using hands-free technology. This policy applies to both city-owned and privately-owned cell phones used for City or personal business. Mobile digital tools such as email, text messaging and other similar forms of manual data entry or transmission are also prohibited while operating a motor vehicle, in accordance with Colorado Revised Statute 42-2-239, as amended. If not using hands-free technologies, vehicles must be pulled off the road and safely and legally parked prior to using the cell phone.