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§ 72.01 REGISTERED OWNER DEEMED AGENT OF DRIVER.

A driver who is not the registered owner of an unattended motor vehicle found to be in violation of any provision of this Chapter or found to be parked in violation of this title shall be deemed to be the agent of the registered owner of the unattended motor vehicle. The registered owner of the unattended motor vehicle shall be jointly and severally liable with the driver for any civil fine imposed for violation of any provision of this Chapter or for parking in violation of this title.

§ 72.02 GENERAL PARKING PROHIBITED.

It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to stop, stand, or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the specific directions of a peace officer or traffic control device in any of the following places:

- (A) On a sidewalk;

(B) In front of a public or private driveway;

(C) Within an intersection;

(D) Within ten feet of a fire hydrant;

(E) On a crosswalk;

(F) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk;

(G) In a sign-posted fire lane;

(H) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic-control signal located at the side of a street;

(I) Within 20 feet of an uncontrolled intersection;

(J) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;

(K) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of the entrance when properly sign posted;

(L) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when the stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic;

(M) On the street side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;

(N) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a street;

(O) At any place where official signs prohibit or restrict stopping, standing, or parking;

(P) In any alley, except for loading and unloading, and then only so long as reasonably necessary for the loading and unloading to or from adjacent premises; or

(Q) On any boulevard which has been curbed.

§ 72.03 UNAUTHORIZED REMOVAL.

It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to move a vehicle not owned by the person into any prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as is unlawful.

§ 72.04 RECREATIONAL CAMPING VEHICLE PARKING.

(A) *Definition.* The term **RECREATIONAL CAMPING VEHICLE** means any of the following:

(1) The term *TRAVEL TRAILER* means a vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, and vacation uses, permanently identified *TRAVEL TRAILER* by the manufacturer of the trailer;

(2) The term *PICK-UP COACH* means a structure designed to be mounted on a truck chassis for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation, and vacation;

(3) The term *MOTOR HOME* means a portable, temporary dwelling to be used for travel, recreation and vacation, constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle; or

(4) The term *CAMPING TRAILER* means a folding structure, mounted on wheels and designed for travel, recreation, and vacation uses.

(B) *Prohibited act.* It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to leave or park a recreational camping vehicle on or within the limits of any street, right-of-way or public lot for a continuous period in excess of 24 hours, except in a designated campground.

§ 72.05 DIRECTION TO PROCEED.

It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to stop or park a vehicle on a street when directed or ordered to proceed by any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control, or regulate traffic.

§ 72.06 PARALLEL PARKING.

Except where angle parking is specifically allowed and indicated by curb marking or sign-posting or both, each vehicle stopped or parked upon a street shall be stopped or parked with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle parallel with and within 12 inches of the right-hand edge of the traveled surface, and, where painted markings appear on the curb or the street, the vehicle shall be within the markings, front and rear, provided that upon a one-way street all vehicles shall be so parked, except that the left-hand wheels of the vehicle may be parallel with and within 12 inches from the left-hand edge of the traveled surface, so that the front of the vehicle is pointed in the direction of the flow of traffic upon the one-way street. It is a petty misdemeanor to stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle in violation of this Section.

§ 72.07 PARKING HOURS.

Parking on streets shall be limited as follows:

(A) It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle upon any street for a continuous period in excess of 24 hours, unless otherwise posted.

(B) The Council may, by resolution, designate certain streets blocks, or portions of streets or blocks, as five-minute, ten-minute, 15-minute, 30-minute, one-hour, two-hour, four-hour, six-hour, or eight-hour limited parking zones and shall mark by appropriate signs any zones so established. The zones shall be established whenever necessary for the convenience of the public or to minimize traffic hazards and preserve a free flow of traffic. It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle in any space so limited when sign-posted.

(C) It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to remove, erase, or otherwise obliterate any mark or sign placed upon a tire or other part of a vehicle by a peace officer, or designee, for the purpose of measuring the length of time the vehicle has been parked.

(D) For the purpose of enforcement of this Section, any vehicle moved less than one block in a limited time parking zone shall be deemed to have remained stationary.

§ 72.08 CALENDAR PARKING.

(A) STREETS AND AVENUES It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to park or leave standing, between November 15 and March 15 of the following year, any motor vehicle on any street designated as an "avenue" between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, or on any designated street, road, boulevard, circle, court, cul-de-sac, drive, or lane between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

(B) PARKING LOTS. It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to park or leave standing, between November 15 and March 15 of the following year, any motor vehicle in City parking lots identified as parking lot west of LaBree Avenue and north of First Street, west half of parking lot located between Second Street and Third Street west of Knight Avenue, and the west half of the parking lot located between LaBree Avenue and Horace Avenue north of Fourth Street between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, or in City parking lots identified as parking lot east of LaBree Avenue and from Second Street to 150 feet south of Second Street, east half of the parking lot between Second Street and Third Street west of Knight Avenue, and the east half of the parking lot between LaBree Avenue and Horace Avenue north of Fourth Street between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

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§ 72.09 TRUCK PARKING ON STREETS.

(A) It is a petty misdemeanor to park a detached semi-trailer upon any street, City-owned parking lot, or other public property.

(B) It is a petty misdemeanor to park a semi-trailer, whether or not attached to a truck tractor, within an area zoned as a Residential District, except while loading or unloading the same.

(C) It is a petty misdemeanor to park a commercial vehicle of more than one ton capacity upon any street in an area zoned for commercial or industrial uses which has been duly sign-posted prohibiting the same, but parking of the vehicle for a period of not more than 20 minutes shall be permitted in the space

for the purpose of necessary access to abutting property for loading and unloading when the access cannot reasonably be secured from an alley or from an adjacent street where truck parking is not so restricted.

(D) It is a petty misdemeanor to park a commercial vehicle of more than one-ton capacity upon any street in an area zoned residential except when necessary for the purpose of access for loading or unloading cargo when the access cannot be otherwise reasonably secured.

(E) It is a petty misdemeanor to park a truck or other vehicle using or equipped with a trailer or extended body or other extension or projection beyond the original length of the vehicle, or any

passenger bus, except for a time sufficient to load or unload, and in such case, only parallel parking shall be permitted. A truck may stand backed up to the curb if the weight or bulk of the load makes parallel parking impracticable, but then only for a period of time sufficient to load or unload.

(F) Parking of commercial vehicles is permitted in duly designated and sign-posted loading zones and in alleys for a period of up to 20 minutes, provided that the alley parking does not prevent the flow of traffic therein, all of which shall be for the purpose of access to abutting or adjacent property for loading or unloading.

§ 72.10 PARKING IN MUNICIPAL PARKING LOTS AND RAMPS.

In municipally-owned parking lots and ramps, the Council may limit the sizes and types of motor vehicles to be parked thereon, hours of parking and prescribed method of parking, provided that the limitations and restrictions are sign-posted thereon. It is a petty misdemeanor to drive in a direction opposite the flow of traffic marked by "one-way" signs or arrows or to park any vehicle in any municipally-owned parking lot or ramp contrary to the restrictions or limitations sign-posted therein.

§ 72.11 LOADING ZONES.

The Council may, by resolution, establish loading zones to be used for the specific purpose of loading or unloading merchandise from a commercial vehicle or vehicle temporarily being utilized in the transport of merchandise. The loading zone shall be duly sign-posted.

§ 72.12 UNATTENDED VEHICLE.

(A) It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to leave a motor vehicle unattended while the engine is running.

(B) It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to leave a motor vehicle unattended with the key in the ignition.

§ 72.13 VEHICLE REPAIR ON STREET.

It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to service, repair, assemble, or dismantle any vehicle parked upon a street, or attempt to do so, except to service the vehicle with gasoline or to provide emergency repairs thereon.

§ 72.14 PARKING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING OR SELLING MERCHANDISE.

It is a petty misdemeanor for any person to stop, park, or leave standing a vehicle on any street for

the purpose of selling merchandise thereon or therein or advertising any merchandise for sale or a forthcoming event for a period longer than 15 minutes.

§ 72.15 COURTESY PARKING.

The Chief of Police is authorized to waive hours of parking limitations herein stated upon an application duly filed on any day and to any particular group; provided, members of the group shall have displayed in their motor vehicles a "courtesy parking" sticker card or other similar designation.

§ 72.16 PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PARKING.

(A) Statutory parking privileges for physically handicapped shall be strictly observed and enforced. Peace officers are authorized to tag vehicles on either private or public property in violation of the statutory privileges.

(B) It is a petty misdemeanor for any person, whether or not physically handicapped, to stop, park, or leave standing a motor vehicle:

- (1) In a sign-posted fire lane at any time; or
- (2) In sign-posted lanes where, and during such hours as, parking is prohibited.

§ 72.17 IMPOUNDING AND REMOVING VEHICLES.

When any peace officer finds a vehicle standing upon a street or municipally-owned parking lot in violation of any parking regulation, the officer is authorized to require the driver or other person in charge of the vehicle to remove the same to a position in compliance with this Chapter. When any peace officer finds a vehicle unattended upon any street or municipally-owned parking lot in violation of any parking regulation, the officer is authorized to impound the unlawfully parked vehicle and to provide for the removal thereof and to remove the same to a convenient garage or other facility; provided, if any charge shall be incurred for cost of removal or storage, or both, by anyone called upon to assist therewith the same, that cost shall be paid prior to removal from the place of storage by the person claiming the vehicle. Disposition of impounded vehicles shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Ch. 32. In the alternative, a citation for a petty misdemeanor offense may be issued.

Cross reference:

City policies, see Ch. 32