

502. PARKING

502.010. DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this Chapter, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:

1. Operator. Includes every individual who shall operate a vehicle as the owner thereof, or as the agent, employee, or permittee of the owner or any individual who is in actual physical control of a vehicle.

2. Park or Parking. The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon a street, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in, receiving or discharging passengers or loading or unloading merchandise, or in obedience to traffic regulations, signs, or signals or an involuntary stopping of the vehicle by reason of causes beyond the control of the operator of the vehicle.

3. Street. Any public street, avenue, road, alley, or highway located in the City and established for the use of vehicles.

4. Vehicle. Any device in, or upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported upon a public highway.

502.020. POWERS OF COUNCIL. The City Council is authorized to designate parking meter zones and restrict the length of time parking shall be permitted at any place within the City. In establishing or changing parking meter zones or parking restrictions, the Council shall pass a resolution at a regular or special meeting adequately describing and defining said parking meter zones or parking restrictions. Said resolution shall be published once in a local newspaper after which said resolution shall be in force and effect.

The City Council is hereby authorized to forbid parking of all vehicles for temporary periods in case of emergency at any place within the City.

502.030. DESIGNATION OF PARKING SPACES. The City Council is hereby authorized to mark off individual parking spaces. Parking spaces are to be designated by lines painted or durably marked on the curbing or surface of the street. At each space so marked off it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in such a way that said vehicle shall not be entirely within the limits of the space so designated.

502.040. NO PARKING. There will be no parking on any paved portion of any City street from 2 A.M. to 8 A.M. Construction vehicles at permitted construction sites will be permitted to park on the street at 7:00 A.M. The City Council may, from time to time, designate and post any part or all of any street or roadway in said City as a "No Parking Zone", and when so posted, no person shall park a motor vehicle thereon in violation of such posting.

502.042. EMERGENCY VEHICLE LANE. No vehicle shall be parked on a public roadway in a manner that would obstruct a 12 foot lane for emergency vehicles.

502.050. ANGLE PARKING. The City Council, from time to time may designate and post any part or all of any street or roadway in said City as a "No Angle Parking" zone, and when so posted, no person shall park a motor vehicle in violation of such posting.

502.060. WINTER PARKING. During or after a snowfall of three inches or more in depth or of such amount which necessitates the plowing and cleaning of the City streets, alleys or the Municipal Parking Lot of snow by the City, no parking will be permitted at any time on City streets until the snow has been removed.

502.070. TOWING AND STORAGE. The City Council is hereby authorized and empowered to have removed any vehicle on any street or alley in violation of this Chapter or stalled thereon and to have such vehicle placed in a garage or outdoor area. Such vehicle shall not be removed from there until reasonable costs of storing and towing the same have been fully paid. The City Council shall have the further authority to direct employees of the City to remove any such vehicle and in that event the City Council may impose a charge to be paid to the City Clerk before the said vehicle may be taken or recovered by the owner thereof.

In the event that any vehicle held or stored by the direction of the City Council, upon which there are charges for storage or towing or both, shall not be reclaimed, recovered or taken by the owners thereof, there shall be deemed to be imposed upon such vehicle a possessory lien in the amount so charged and unpaid and should the owner thereof fail to pay the same then the possessory lien may be foreclosed in the manner provided for by law.

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