

CHAPTER 71: PARKING REGULATIONS

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Cross-reference:

Abandoned vehicles, see Chapter 90

§71.01 ANGLE AND PARALLEL PARKING.

Angle parking shall be required on the following street:

The west half block of Center St. E between Main Ave and 1st Ave NE, on the north side only.

On such street, every vehicle parked shall be parked with the front of the vehicle facing the curb or the edge of the traveled portion of the street at an angle of approximately 60 degrees and facing between the painted or other markings on the curb or street indicating the parking space. On all other streets, cars shall be parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway in accordance with law.

§71.02 NO PARKING WHERE POSTED.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle upon the public streets of the city at any place where official signs or where appropriate devices, marks, or painting, either upon the surface of the street or the curb immediately adjacent thereto, prohibit these acts. Exceptions are made for a truck parked temporarily within the business hours of any business day for the purposes of loading or unloading where access to the premises are not otherwise available, and for cars forming a funeral procession.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.03 LIMITED PARKING.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle upon the public streets of the city where official signs are erected limiting the parking time thereon, for a period of time in excess of the time as designated by the official signs.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.04 OTHER PARKING RESTRICTIONS.

The City Council may by resolution order the placing of signs, devices or marks, or the painting of streets or curbs prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on any street where, in its opinion, as evidenced by a finding in its official minutes, the stopping, standing, or parking is dangerous to those using the highway, or where the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles would unduly interfere with the free movement of traffic. The signs, devices, marks or painting shall be official signs, devices, marks or painting, and no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions thereon or as indicated thereby.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.05 WINTER PARKING

Any vehicle or personal property found stopped, standing, or parked that is impeding snow removal or snowplowing, is prohibited when a snow emergency is declared.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.06 PARKING CERTAIN SEMI-TRAILERS OR TRACTORS ON PUBLIC STREETS PROHIBITED.

No person shall park a semi-tractor or trailer in any area of the city zoned for residential use or other area designated by City Council resolution except when the vehicle is parked in a completely enclosed garage.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.07 OVERNIGHT PARKING.

The following vehicles shall not be allowed to park on city streets overnight: repair, delivery, rented vehicles with commercial plates and refuse and recycling haulers or any other vehicle not registered as a passenger vehicle.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.08 PASSENGER BUSES.

Passenger buses carrying temporary visitors to the City may stop briefly on Main Street to allow passengers to enter or leave the bus. Thereafter the bus must park properly within the business district, but no in the block from First AV N to Center St. on Main Ave, and not in the Visitor Center parking lot.

§71.09 PROHIBITING PARKING AREAS IN FRONT YARDS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES.

(A) The construction, operation or maintaining of a parking area, either paved or unpaved, in the front yard of any lot is prohibited in any area zoned for residential use. For the purpose of this section, front yard shall mean and include that area between the sidewalk, or street line in the event there is no sidewalk, and the front line of the principal building, extending in both directions to the side lot lines.

(B) Use of that portion of a vacant lot within 30 feet of the sidewalk lines for parking in an area zoned for residential use is prohibited.

(C) Driveways in any area zoned for residential use shall not exceed 25% of the width at the front or side lot line. Where more than one driveway is desired or required, they shall be at least 70 feet apart.

(D) The front part of any lot shall not be used for the parking of an automobile, truck, trailer, tractor, recreational vehicle, camper, travel trailer, camper top, tent, wagon, boat, boat trailer, storage area or motor home. Recreational vehicles and campers may be parked in the driveway or back yard of a property owner or behind the front line of the principal building.

(E) No person, being the owner or having control of any building, shall violate or fail to conform to any provision of this section, or fail to obey any lawful order of an officer charged with its enforcement. Each and every day on which any person continues to violate the provisions of this section, after having been notified of the violation, shall constitute a separate offense. This conviction shall not relieve any person from thereafter complying with the provisions of this section, and shall be sufficient cause to refuse further building or land use permits to the offender until a time as the orders have been complied with.

Penalty, see §10.99

§71.10 IMPOUNDMENT.

Any police officer may order the removal of a vehicle from a street to a garage or other place of safety when the vehicle is left unattended and constitutes an obstruction to traffic or hinders snow removal, street improvements or maintenance operations. The vehicle shall not be released until the fees for towing and storage are paid in addition to any fine imposed for violation of this chapter.

§71.11 PRIMA FACIE VIOLATIONS.

The presence of any motor vehicle on any street when standing or parked in violation of this chapter is prima facie evidence that the registered owner of the vehicle committed or authorized the commission of the violation.