

CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12-05

Amending Article 11.03 of the Code of Ordinances – Parking

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 11, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES", ARTICLE 11.03, "PARKING" TO PROVIDE FOR A TEMPORARY EXTENDED HOURS PARKING PERMIT; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lavon ("City Council") has investigated and determined that it would be advantageous and beneficial to the citizens of the City of Lavon, Texas ("Lavon") to amend Lavon's Code of Ordinances in Chapter 11 to add regulations to provide for extended hours or overtime for parking of certain vehicles in residential zones in the City of Lavon; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authority under state law to adopt the regulations herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. Recitals

The City Council hereby finds that the statements set forth in the recitals of this Ordinance are true and correct, and the City Council hereby incorporates such recitals as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Amendment of Article 11.03 Parking

A. Chapter 11.03.002 "Definitions" is hereby amended by adding the following:

"RV or Recreational Vehicle" A vehicle designed or converted to be a temporary home while traveling or camping. RV includes Camper-Trailers, Motor Homes, Travel Trailers and Pickup Campers. RV specifically excludes all commercial vehicles.

B. Chapter 11.03.003 "Offenses" is hereby amended by adding the following to the beginning of 11.03.003(1)(2):

"Except as provided for in 11.03.005"

C. Article 11.03.005 "Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permits" is hereby added to the Lavon Code of Ordinances:

"(a) A person wishing to park an RV or Watercraft Trailer on a residential street may

apply for a Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit to the Lavon Police Department during normal business hours.

(b) An application for a Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit must be received at the Lavon Police Department no less than 2 days prior to the date for which the permit is requested.

(c) An application for a Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit must include:

- 1) The name of the person responsible for parking the vehicle;
- 2) The home address of the person responsible for parking the vehicle;
- 3) A current phone number for the person parking the vehicle;
- 4) A description of the RV or Watercraft Trailer, including make, model, color and year of manufacture;
- 5) The registration number and state of issuance for the RV or Watercraft Trailer;
- 6) The date of request;
- 7) The date and times the vehicle will be parked (not to exceed a total of 16 hours in any given 24-hour period);
- 8) A description of where the RV or Watercraft Trailer will be parked (the location must be adjacent to property owned or under the control of the person listed on the application); and
- 9) The signature of the person making the application.

(d) The Chief of Police or his designee may issue or decline to issue Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permits at their discretion.

(e) A Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit may include a second date and time validation for the purpose of returning from the use of the RV or watercraft trailer.

1. The end of the original permit and the beginning of the return permit may not be less than 5 hours apart.

(f) A Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit is invalid if the vehicle is in violation of any law or ordinance.

(g) A Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit must be displayed on dashboard if applicable or on the rear and to the roadside of the RV or Watercraft Trailer and must be visible and readable to officers driving past the parked RV or Watercraft Trailer.

(h) A Temporary Extended Hours Parking Permit used or displayed in any manner not consistent with this chapter is invalid.”

SECTION 3. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication as may be required by governing law.

SECTION 4. Proper Notice and Meeting

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code and as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

SECTION 5. Severability

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this Ordinance, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be enforced as written.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas
this 20th day of December, 2022.



Vicki Sanson
Mayor

ATTEST:



Rae Norton
City Secretary

