

ARTICLE VII. PARKING

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 126-334. Trailers and oversized vehicles, time limit.

- (a) *Time limit.* It shall be unlawful for the owner to permit or for the person in charge or the operator of any trailer or semitrailer to park or leave standing such trailer or semitrailer upon any portion of any public street for one continuous period of over 30 minutes without authority from the chief of police, except as defined by subsections (c)(1), (2) and (3).
- (b) *Definitions.* As used in this section, "trailer" means every vehicle designed or used to carry its load wholly on its own structure and to be drawn by a motor vehicle; "semitrailer" means every vehicle of the trailer type so designed or used in conjunction with a motor vehicle that some part of its own weight and that of its load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle.
- (c) *Prohibition.* It shall be unlawful for any person or owner to allow to park or stand any oversized vehicle or any commercial motor vehicle, as that term is defined in V.T.C.A., Transportation Code § 502.001, with a rated capacity in excess of 20,000 pounds, according to the manufacturer's classification, upon any public street, alley, parkway or other public right-of-way within the city that is **zoned as residential.**
- (1) This section shall not prevent the parking or standing of the above-described vehicles in such areas for the purpose of actively and expeditiously loading and unloading of passengers, freight, merchandise or property.
- (2) The owner of an oversized vehicle may obtain a permit from the chief of police to park said vehicle in such areas for a period of up to 24 hours within any seven-day period. A permit will only be issued if the street is of sufficient width so that parking of the oversized vehicle would leave more than ten feet of available width of the roadway for free movement of vehicular traffic.
- (3) Provided further, that this subsection shall not apply to street construction, maintenance and repair equipment trucks, rollers and implements or to trucks, equipment, trailers and vehicles used by any public service utility companies, the city or its contractors engaged in repairing or extending public service utilities or providing city services or as engaged in an active permitted construction project.

(Ord. No. 2011-59, § 2, 8-8-11)

Editor's note(s)—Ord. No. 2011-59, § 2, adopted August 8, 2011, amended section 126-334 in its entirety to read as herein set out. Formerly, section 126-334 pertained to trailers, time limit and derived from the Code of 1961, § 23-140.

State law reference(s)—Display of warning device when stopped or disabled, Vernon's Ann. Civ. St. art. 6701d, § 138.