

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE PARKING OF VEHICLES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA, DOES ORDAIN:

1117.01 Definitions.

As used herein, the term:

- A. "Vehicle" means any device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rail or tracks, and
- B. "Street" means any street, avenue, place, drive, or any other public way in the City of Oak Park Heights.

1117.02 No Parking.

There shall be no parking at any time of any vehicle at the following street locations in the City of Oak Park Heights:

- A. South side of 64th Street North.
- B. South side of Upper 63rd Street North, West of Paris Avenue.
- C. South side of 63rd Street North.
- D. East side of Paul Avenue.
- E. North side of 62nd Street North.
- F. Peller Avenue North, 40 feet back from 59th Street North, East side from 60th Street North to Upper 61st Street.
- G. West side of Stagecoach Trail.
- H. Both sides of Mill Road, now called 59th Street North, West of 95.
- I. West side of Peabody Avenue North, North of Beach Road North.
- J. East side of Olinda Avenue North.
- K. Both sides of Omaha Avenue North, from 60th Street North to the dead end near the St. Croix Bowl.

L. East side of Olene Avenue North between 60<sup>th</sup> Street North (Frontage Road) and the northern boundary line of 59<sup>th</sup> Street North. One parking space shall be identified and preserved by the City to accommodate for a single vehicle, 10 minutes parking zone.

M. South side of 62<sup>nd</sup> Street N west of CSAH 24 (Osgood Ave N)

1117.03 No Parking for More than Twenty-Four Hours.

No vehicle shall be parked on any street in the City of Oak Park Heights for more than twenty-four (24) consecutive hours.

1117.04 Emergency Declaration.

Whenever, in the opinion of the Mayor of the City Of Oak Park Heights, an emergency exists in the City, or in a section or sections thereof, because of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snowdrifts, or other natural phenomena which create, or are likely to create hazardous road conditions impeding, or likely to impede, the free movement of fire, health, police, emergency, or other vehicular traffic, or the safety and welfare of the community, the Mayor may declare an emergency to exists for a period of seventy-two (72) hours, but such emergency may be sooner terminated if conditions permit. If the Mayor is absent from the City or is unable to act, the said emergency may be declared by any two (2) members of the City Council. Notice of such emergency shall be given by radio, television, or press, which news media shall be requested to cooperate with the City officials, and when given such notice, shall constitute due and proper notice. Said notice shall specify the hour that said emergency commences and there shall be an interval of at last six (6) hours between the first time that notice is given and the commencement of said emergency.

1117.05 Emergency Parking Restrictions.

A. During said period of emergency, no vehicle shall be parked or left standing on any streets from 1:00 A.M. to 8:00 A.M.

B. The parking of vehicles directly in front of all-night eating establishments on the above-described streets during said emergency between the hours of 1:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. will not be prohibited under Section 1117.07 of this Ordinance if the owner or operator of the vehicle is inside the eating establishment while it is parked, and is available to move said vehicle if it is hindering snow removal operations. If the owner or operator does not remove his vehicle when requested by a police officer or a City employee engaged in removing snow, said vehicle may be removed as provided in Section 1117.07.

C. Parking may be resumed on individual streets in this area as soon as the snow has been removed from these streets, except as may be otherwise restricted by ordinance.

1117.06

Parking During Emergency.

During the period of said emergency, all vehicles on streets, avenues, places, and drives of the City of Oak Park Heights shall be parked as follows:

- A. All vehicles on streets, avenues, places, and drives of the City of Oak Park Heights, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. of the succeeding day, shall be parked only on the side of the streets, avenues, places, and drives bearing even-numbered United States Post Office addresses on even-numbered days of the month.
- B. All vehicles on streets, avenues, places, and drives of the City of Oak Park Heights, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. of the succeeding day, shall be parked only on the side of the streets, avenues, places, and drives bearing odd-numbered United States Post Office addresses on odd-numbered days of the month.
- C. Where parking is normally permitted only on one side of the street, vehicles parked pursuant to the aforesaid provisions may be parked on that side of the street only.
- D. The parking of vehicles on streets during the period of said emergency that are directly in front of business places during business hours will not be prohibited unless the vehicle in front of said business establishment is hindering snow removal.

1117.07

Temporary Parking Restrictions Imposed by the Chief of Police for the City of Oak Park Heights. The Chief of Police for the City of Oak Park Heights may impose temporary parking restrictions in any area of the City for up to forty-eight (48) hours as may be required under either or any of the following circumstances and implementing the following procedures:

- A. To facilitate the public safety, health and welfare of the residents of the City of Oak Park Heights and the community should the Chief of Police determine that a temporary parking restriction imposed within the given neighborhood or district of the City is required because of any significant traffic impacting event such as major sporting events, civic activities, public works projects or other events that will have a significant impact on traffic circulation and flow through a neighborhood or neighborhoods in the City of Oak Park Heights as a result of such an event the Chief may impose parking restrictions.

- B. When such temporary parking restrictions are declared by the Chief of Police for the City of Oak Park Heights, all existing parking signs now located within the area to be temporary restricted shall be covered and temporary signs establishing the temporary no parking restriction shall be posted throughout the affected areas at the beginning of such parking restricted time and removed and collected by the City at the end of the parking restricted time.
- C. There shall also be posted at the public bulletin board for the City of Oak Park Heights a notice by the Chief of Police that he has declared a temporary parking restriction, identifying the area or areas so impacted by the temporary restriction, the dates and times and hours of the restriction, and the purpose for which the restriction is being imposed. Copy of said notice will also be provided to the Director of Public Works and published in a legal newspaper established by the City of Oak Park Heights.

1117.08 Removal.

- A. Any vehicle which shall be left parked or standing in violation of this Ordinance may be summarily removed without notice to the owner or operator by officers of the police department of the City of Oak Park Heights, or persons employed or designated by them, and stored in any appropriate place. All necessary costs and expenses of towing, removing and storing of such vehicles shall be first paid to the person or persons designated, by the person claiming the vehicles before release of the same.
- B. The City of Oak Park Heights shall not be responsible for any damage to such vehicles removed in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

1117.09 Violation.

It shall be unlawful for any firm, person, or corporation to cause, allow, suffer, or permit any vehicle operated by or registered in the name of such person, firm, or corporation to be parked contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance. The presence of any vehicle on a public street in the City of Oak Park Heights, parked contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be prima facie evidence that the registered owner of said vehicle submitted or authorized the commission of the violation.

1117.10 Penalty.

Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine not exceeding Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) or imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both.

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