

Sec. 4-1. - Definition.

The word "animal" as used in this chapter means dogs, cats and other nonhuman living creatures.

(Code 1975, § 4-1)

Cross reference— Definitions and rules of construction generally, § 1-2.

Sec. 4-2. - Animals running at large; impoundment.

- (a) No animal shall be allowed upon the public street of the city or in any public place or upon property other than that of its owner unless such animal is securely under control or fastened to a suitable leash of dependable strength not to exceed eight (8) feet in length.
- (b) Proof of ownership of any such animal found in any public place or upon property other than that of its owner shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this chapter.
- (c) In the event of a violation of this chapter, the animal involved may be picked up by a police officer of the city, public health officer of the county, the humane society of the county, or any other appropriate and authorized official, and shall be placed with the humane society of the county or any other similar agency and retained by such agency for at least five (5) days. As a condition of repossession of such animal, the owner shall pay to the humane society or other agency all costs.
- (d) The term "owner" as used in this section shall be defined as any person owning, harboring or maintaining custody of an animal.

(Code 1975, § 4-2)

Cross reference— Buildings and building regulations, Ch. 5; health, sanitation and nuisances, Ch. 9; parks and recreation, Ch. 15; streets and sidewalks, Ch. 20; zoning, Ch. 24.

Sec. 4-4. - Duty to remove excrement; exception.

It shall be unlawful for any person in control of, causing or permitting any animal to be on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person to fail to scoop and remove excrement left by such animal to a proper receptacle located on property owned or possessed by such person. In accordance with state statute, this provision is waived for blind persons assisted by Seeing-Eye dogs and non-human primates of the genus Cebus, used by a person with paraplegia or quadriplegia, specially trained and providing personal care services to a paraplegic or quadriplegic person.

(Code 1975, § 4-4; Ord. No. 2001-17, § 2, 10-10-01)

Sec. 4-5. - Feeding animals.

It shall be unlawful for any person to feed or cause to be fed or leave foodstuffs for the consumption by any duck, wildlife, non-domesticated animals or animals not owned by the person within the city limits.

(Code 1975, § 4-7; Ord. No. 2001-19, § 2, 10-10-01)

Sec. 14-26. - Parking restrictions—Public rights-of-way.

- (a) There shall be no vehicular parking in the paved portions of the dedicated public right-of-way areas within the limits of the city during the hours between 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those vehicles commonly designated as emergency vehicles. This prohibition shall apply seven (7) days a week.
- (b) The parking of motor vehicles anywhere on the Woodlands Boulevard right-of-way at any time of the day or night is prohibited.
- (c) The parking of motor vehicles on dedicated bicycle lanes or blocking driveways any time of the day or night is prohibited.

(Code 1975, § 15-4(a); Ord. No. O-2024-017, § 2, 9-25-24)

Sec. 14-27. - Same—Fire lanes and fire access areas.

- (a) *Violation.* It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in or otherwise obstruct a fire lane or fire access area, except for the immediate temporary loading or unloading of the attended vehicle.
- (b) *Penalty.* Any person issued a citation for violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each citation.

(Code 1975, § 15-4(b); Ord. No. 98-1, § 2, 1-14-98; Ord. No. 2004-28, § 2, 10-13-04)

Sec. 14-28. - Prohibited in specified places.

- (a) It shall be a violation of this section for any person without authority to stop, stand or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or traffic-control device, in or upon any private alley, drive, driveway, parking area or other privately owned property without the consent of the owner of the property or person in charge thereof, whether such property is used exclusively by the owner or for the use and convenience of customers or guests.
- (b) In any municipal parking areas where there are parking spaces designated for the use of specific city officials, specific city employees, police department and members of boards and commissions of the city, these designated parking spaces are so indicated by signs or wheel stops in front of

each space. It shall be a violation of this section for any person, without authority, to stop, stand or park a vehicle in such parking space except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or traffic-control device.

(Code 1975, § 15-5)

Sec. 14-30. - Parking or storage of commercial or recreational vehicles, boats and boat trailers.

(a) *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning. Other definitions provided in F.S. § 320.01 are incorporated by reference.

- (1) *Boat or boat trailer* means any maritime vessel boat, yacht or vessel, regardless of size or motor capacity, and any transportation device which may be utilized to transport a boat, yacht or vessel along a public right-of-way.
- (2) *Commercial vehicle* means any vehicle which is not used solely for personal nonbusiness activities. The following types of vehicles shall be considered commercial for purposes of this section:
 - a. Truck cab;
 - b. Trailer;
 - c. Semitrailer;
 - d. Tractor crane;
 - e. Power shovel;
 - f. Well driller;
 - g. Bus;
 - h. Taxi, limousine and other vehicles for hire;
 - i. Ambulance;
 - j. Wrecker (tow truck);
 - k. Hearse;
 - l. Vehicles with more than two (2) axles;
 - m. Vehicles which exceed twenty (20) feet in length and eight (8) feet in height;
 - n. Vehicles with visible outside lettering, licensure information, decals, logos, vehicle wraps, or other commercial information.
 - o. Vehicles with visible ladder, bucket, aerial device, refrigerated box, or having any equipment for the purpose of performing any work of a commercial nature or carrying goods other than for personal effects of passengers.

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Mobile home means a structure which is transportable in one (1) or more sections, which is eight (8) body feet or more in width and is thirty-two (32) body feet or more in length, which is built on a permanent chassis, and which is designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities.

(4) *Recreational vehicle* means a vehicular, portable structure which is built on a chassis; which is designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, camping, recreation or vacation; and which has a transportable body which either has its own motive power or is mounted on or drawn by another vehicle.

(b) *Restrictions in residentially zoned districts.* Except as hereinafter provided, no owner or person having the use of a commercial vehicle, or recreational vehicle or a boat or boat trailer shall park such vehicle or boat or boat trailer for any period of time on either a public right-of-way or privately owned property in a residentially zoned district as now defined or as may be defined in the future or in a clubhouse district as now defined or as may be defined in the future between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. This section shall not apply, however, to the following:

- (1) Commercial vehicles parked in a covered garage or carport or other area which is enclosed on any side of the property adjacent to residential property and is concealed or completely screened from view from any side street abutting the parcel where the vehicle is located. This section is not a waiver of setback requirements or any other applicable ordinance, code, or regulation.
- (2) A maximum of one (1) recreational vehicle, one (1) boat and one (1) boat trailer, under ten (10) feet in height, may be parked or stored as follows:
 - a. Within a covered garage or carport, or other area which is enclosed on any side of the property adjacent to residential property and is concealed or completely screened from view from any side street abutting the parcel where the vehicle is located; or, in a fenced area not less than twenty-five (25) feet from any public right-of-way provided that the area shall be concealed or completely screened from view from any street abutting the parcel where the vehicle is located and from any contiguous residential property by landscaping and fencing or opaque fencing.
 - b. This section is not a waiver of setback requirements of any other ordinances or regulations, each of which must be complied with by any party seeking to be included under this section.
- (3) Motor vehicles made necessary by actual physical impairment.
- (4) Motor vehicles, boats or boat trailers parked in districts zoned multi-family for which special areas for these commercial or recreational vehicles have been designated by the property owner. These areas must be not less than twenty-five (25) feet from any public right-of-way and must be separated from the right-of-way by a fence or vegetation of a minimum height

of four (4) feet and a maximum height of six (6) feet. A property owner seeking to provide a special parking area for commercial or recreational vehicles must notify the city's community development department, in writing, of the creation of the area.

- (5) Any prohibited vehicle may be parked or stored in a prohibited area for purposes of loading or unloading on a temporary basis; provided, however, any vehicle remaining on the premises for a continuous twenty-four-hour period shall be considered as conclusive evidence that the vehicle is not being loaded or unloaded, and any of the foregoing vehicles parked or stored in a prohibited area for more than two (2) evenings between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. in any twenty-day period shall be considered as being in violation of the prohibited parking section of this section.
- (6) Recreational vehicles and mobile homes shall be permitted to park or be stored in a prohibited area for a period of up to forty-eight (48) hours, in addition to that twenty-four-hour period permitted by paragraph (5), provided that the owner of the recreational vehicle or mobile home complies with the following:
 - a. The owner of a recreational vehicle or mobile home desiring to park or store the recreational vehicle or mobile home in a prohibited area for up to seventy-two (72) hours must contact the city police department and request permission to park for such additional period.
 - b. Where required by the police department, it may be necessary for the owner to submit any or all manner of reasonable proof, including written documents and an application, in order to show that the additional forty-eight-hour period being sought will be utilized for the purposes of loading or unloading a recreational vehicle or mobile home.

(c) *Restrictions in commercially zoned districts.*

- (1) Except as hereinafter provided, no owner or person having the use of a commercial vehicle, recreational vehicle, boat or boat trailer shall park, store or keep the vehicle, boat or boat trailer for any period of time within the property lines of any commercially zoned district.
- (2) This section shall not apply to the following:
 - a. Vehicles parked in city storage facilities;
 - b. Vehicles parked in duly authorized and properly licensed commercial establishments that engage in the sale or lease of motor vehicles;
 - c. Vehicles which have an active commercial or business purpose for which the owner or person having the use of said vehicle(s) holds a current and valid local business license for a business location within the commercially zoned district; provided, however, that such vehicle shall be parked, stored or kept within ten (10) feet of the business location or at the rear of the commercial facility or structure. If parked at the rear of the structure in cases where the structure abuts a public street, or any residential or recreation/open

space zoning district, the vehicle shall be provided with an opaque screen, which screen when seen from the abutting residential property, recreation property, public street or from the second floor or higher of a residential structure, totally obstructs the view of the vehicle.

(d) *Parking on or adjacent to vacant land.*

- (1) Parking on or adjacent to vacant land or on city-owned property is prohibited, other than for disabled vehicles, which are required to be removed within six (6) hours of such disability. No commercial or recreational vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, semi-truck, cart, buggy, truck, bus or tractor shall be permitted to park on vacant properties or on roadways adjacent to vacant property.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "vacant property" shall be defined as any property within city limits which is unimproved, not occupied and/or not used. "Vacant property" includes lands platted and not platted.
- (3) Violations. Any vehicle found to be in violation of this section shall be impounded at the direction of the city. Said vehicle shall remain impounded until any and all towing and/or storage fees are paid directly to the towing company together with a two hundred dollar (\$200.00) city administrative fee, which fee shall be paid directly to the city to reimburse the city for the administrative expenses incurred in the impounding process.

(e) *Living or residing in a recreational vehicle.* No recreational vehicle shall be occupied or used for human habitation, including, but not limited to sleeping, eating, or entertaining.

(f) *Obstruction of sidewalks.* No commercial or recreational vehicle, boat, or boat trailer shall obstruct a sidewalk.

(g) *Covering of commercial lettering.* Visible outside lettering, licensure information, decals, logos, vehicle wraps, or other commercial information may be concealed by an aesthetically appropriate and secured weatherproof cover. Examples of aesthetically appropriate and secured weatherproof covers are, but are not limited to, a plain magnetic cover similar to the color of the vehicle, or a properly secured vehicle cover. The city's Community Development Director's determination as to the appropriateness of a particular cover shall be final.

(h) *Citation.* The Broward Sheriff's Office District Commander or his designate is directed to review and recommend to the city the disposition of a citation issued for improper parking of a commercial or recreational vehicle upon the showing of registration or other proof for the vehicle that was issued the citation that demonstrates that the cited vehicle is not within any category set forth in subsections (a)(2), or (a)(4), or falls within the exceptions set forth in subsection (c)(2) above.

(Code 1975, § 15-6(a), (b), (g); Ord. No. 88-15, § 1, 6-22-88; Ord. No. 92-37, §§ 1—4, 6-24-92; Ord. No. 2007-06, § 2, 2-28-07; Ord. No. O-2016-10, § 2, 5-11-16)

Cross reference— Licenses and business regulations, ch. 12; parks and recreation, ch. 15; streets and sidewalks, ch. 20; zoning, ch. 24; district regulations, § 24-101 et seq.; R-3U row house district, § 24-211 et seq.; R-4A planned apartment district, § 24-246 et seq.

Sec. 14-32. - Motor vehicle repairs in residentially zoned areas.

- (a) No motor vehicles may be dismantled or repaired in a residentially zoned area. Minor repairs to vehicles are exempted from this section provided that no money or consideration is given for the repair. For the purpose of this section, "minor repairs" shall be defined as replacement of bulbs, fuses and windshield wipers; adjustment and replacement of the battery; or activation of the battery by means of a charging machine or booster cables.
- (b) Nothing herein shall prohibit the rendition of booster cable service and the removal of a motor vehicle from a residentially zoned area by towing.
- (c) Vehicles with invalid registration or expired registration (tags), or that are in a partially dismantled condition, shall not be parked or stored on the public right-of-way or on private property in residentially zoned areas.
- (d) Nothing contained herein shall prohibit any individual from performing any repairs on his personal motor vehicle when such repairs are conducted entirely within a fully enclosed residential garage.
- (e) Any person who knowingly performs vehicle repairs or dismantles a vehicle; who permits a vehicle owned by him or in his possession to be repaired or dismantled; or permits vehicle repairs or dismantling of a vehicle to be made or done on property owned or rented by him, contrary to this section, shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Each vehicle and each day shall be a separate violation.
- (f) Any person storing or parking a vehicle contrary to subsection (c) above shall be in violation of this section and shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) as indicated in subsection (e) above.

(Code 1975, § 15-8)

Cross reference— Buildings and building regulations, Ch. 5; health, sanitation and nuisances, Ch. 9; motor vehicles and traffic, Ch. 14; stopping, standing and parking, § 14-26 et seq.; streets and sidewalks, Ch. 20; zoning, Ch. 24; district regulations, § 24-101 et seq.