

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Sebastopol has scheduled a public hearing for the introduction and waiving of the first Reading of Proposed Ordinance of Recreational Vehicle Parking – Permit Parking, which includes the permitted RV parking for residential zoned areas of the City; to amend 10.76.040 D Parking Prohibitions of the existing ordinance; to amend 10.76.050 B Exceptions of the existing ordinance; and to amend Chapter 10.36.050 Use of streets for storage of vehicles prohibited.

Amending of Chapter 10.76 – Recreational Vehicle Parking Ordinance to include the following key highlights related to permitted RV parking:

- Permits would be issued by Sebastopol Police Department.
- Persons holding a valid RV permit issued pursuant to this chapter may park the recreational vehicle for which the permit was issued on a street in a residential zoned area, provided the recreational vehicle is parked along the curb line within the same block as the residence listed in the application for which the permit is issued and the permit is valid.
- RV permits will be issued for a period not to exceed 7 days. Applicants may request an additional 7-day extension. No RV permit will be issued for a residential address for more than 14 total calendar days in any consecutive six-month period.
- If this ordinance was to be approved, staff would return with a separate resolution for fees for permits.

Amending Section 10.76.040 D Parking Prohibitions to clarify “city-related business” to the following:

10.76.040 Parking Prohibitions

D. It is unlawful for a person to park or leave standing any recreational vehicle in any city-owned parking lot at any time unless that person is conducting city-related business during business hours. The city-owned parking lots for the Police, Fire, Public Works, and City Hall buildings may only be used when actively conducting business at those specific buildings.

Amending Section 10.76.050 B Exceptions to clarify the “loading/unloading” to the following:

10.76.050 Exceptions

B. Recreational vehicles parked or left standing on any public street in the city that is zoned residential so as to allow the use of a homeowner, tenant, or out-of-town visitor to load/unload the vehicle for a period not to exceed 72 hours, which includes the loading/unloading of items and/or persons.

Amending Chapter 10.36.050 Use of Streets for Storage of Vehicles Prohibited of the Sebastopol Municipal Code to enact additional provisions and restrictions pertaining to the 72-hr. parking of vehicles on street or alley and changes the language to read as follows:

Amending of Chapter 10.36.050, Use of streets for storage of vehicles prohibited to the following:

10.36.050 Use of streets for storage of vehicles prohibited

A. No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street, alley, or city-owned parking lot for more than a consecutive period of 72 hours. For purposes of this section, a vehicle shall be considered to have been parked or left standing for 72 or more consecutive hours if it has remained inoperable or has not been moved at least one (1) mile during said period. Obstruction of the odometer of a vehicle shall give rise to a presumption that the vehicle has not been moved as required by this section and the odometer reading shall be presumptively correct.

B. In the event a vehicle is left parked or standing upon a street, alley, or city-owned parking lot in violation of this section, it may be removed or towed; provided, that a warning notice has been placed on the windshield or other conspicuous place on the vehicle (if it has no windshield) advising that such removal or towing will occur without any further notice or warning 72 hours after the posting of the notice. Any member of the Police Department authorized by the Police Chief may remove the vehicle from the street in the manner and subject to the requirements of the Vehicle Code or issue a citation in lieu of towing removal.

C. A vehicle shall not be re-parked or returned to any location within on-half (0.5) mile of the location where such recreational vehicle was first parked sooner than 72 hours following the time that the vehicle was first moved

The City Council Regular meeting will be held via teleconference pursuant to AB 361.

The City Council will consider this on: Tuesday, April 19, 2022
at or after 6:00 pm

Anyone interested may attend virtually by phone or computer and be heard at this meeting. Zoom Information will be available 72 hours prior to the City Council meeting.

SUBMITTING COMMENTS: For staff report inclusion, all comments must be received one week prior to the meeting date. Comments shall be submitted by email to kkilgore@sebpd.com or mailed/left at City of Sebastopol Police Department, 6850 Laguna Park Way, Sebastopol, CA 95472 or you may also leave a voice mail that will be made a part of the public record. Please call 707-829-4400 to leave a message (by recording or comments provided verbally to City staff). If recorded, your voice mail will be transcribed and provided to the City Clerk as a public record but will not be read into the minutes at the City Council meeting. Comments received after posting of the agenda will be provided to the Council and made part of the public record.

If you challenge this ordinance in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Sebastopol, at, or prior to, the public hearing.

A copy of the ordinance will be available for public review at the City of Sebastopol website www.cityofsebastopol.org.



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