

CHAPTER 13

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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Article I. In General.

13-1 Definitions. For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

Holidays. The first day of January, the twelfth day of February, the twenty-second day of February, the thirtieth day of May, the fourth day of July, the first Monday in September, the ninth day of September, the twelfth day of October, the eleventh day of November, the twenty-fifth day of December and Thanksgiving Day.

Loading zone. The space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading and unloading of passengers or materials.

Official time standard. Whenever certain hours are named herein, they shall mean standard time or daylight saving time as may be in current use in this city.

Official traffic control devices. All signs, signals, markings and devices not inconsistent with this chapter, placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic.

Official traffic signals. Any device, whether manually, electrically or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and proceed and which is erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction.

Park. To stand or leave standing any vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading of passengers or materials.

Parkway. That portion of a street other than a roadway or a sidewalk.

Passenger loading zone. The space adjacent to a curb reserved for the exclusive use of vehicles during the loading or unloading of passengers.

Pedestrian. Any person afoot.

Police officer. Every officer of the police department of this city.

Stop. When required means complete cessation of movement.

Stop or stand. When prohibited means any stopping or standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

Traffic. Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles and other conveyances either single or together while using any street for purposes of travel.

Whenever any words or phrases used in this chapter are not defined herein, but are defined in the Vehicle Code of this state, such definitions are incorporated herein and shall be deemed to apply to such words and phrases used herein as though set forth herein in full. (Ord. 330)

13-2 Authority of police and fire department officials.

- a) It shall be the duty of the officers of the police department or such officers as are assigned by the chief of police to enforce all street traffic laws of this city and all of the state vehicle laws applicable to street traffic in this city.
- b) Officers of the police department or such officer as are assigned by the chief of police are hereby authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand or signal in conformance with traffic laws; provided, that in the event of fire or other emergency or to expedite traffic or to safeguard pedestrians, office of the police department may direct traffic as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.
- c) Officers of the fire department, when at the scene of a fire, may direct or assist the police in directing traffic thereat or in the immediate vicinity. (Ord. 330)

13-3 Obedience to police and fire department officials. No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order of a police officer or fire department officials when directing traffic. (Ord. 330)

13-4 Persons other than officials not to direct traffic. No person other than an officer of the police department or a person deputized by the chief of police or person authorized by law shall direct or attempt to direct traffic by voice, hand or other signal; except, that persons may operate when and as herein provided any mechanical pushbutton signal erected by order of the chief of police. (Ord. 330)

13-5 Public employees to obey traffic regulations. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the driver of any vehicle owned by or used in the service of the United States Government, this state, any county or city and it shall be unlawful for any such driver to violate any of the provisions of this chapter except as otherwise permitted in this chapter or by state statute. (Ord. 330)

13-6 Exemptions from chapter.

- a) The provisions of this chapter regulating the operation, parking and standing of vehicles shall not apply to any vehicle of the police or fire department, any public ambulance or any public utility vehicle or any private ambulance,

which public utility vehicle or private ambulance has qualified as an authorized emergency vehicle, when any vehicle mentioned in this section is operated in the manner specified in the Vehicle Code in response to an emergency call.

- b) The foregoing exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequences of his willful disregard of the safety of others.
- c) The provisions of this chapter regulating the parking or standing of vehicles shall not apply to any vehicle of a city department or public utility while necessarily in use for construction or repair work or any vehicle owned by the United States for the collection, transportation or delivery of United States mail. (Ord. 330)

13-7 Report of damage to certain property.

- a) The driver of a vehicle or the person in charge of any animal involved in any accident resulting in damage to any property publicly owned or owned by a public utility, including but not limited to any fire hydrant, ornamental lighting post, telephone pole, electric light or power pole, or resulting in a damage to any ornamental shade tree, traffic control device or other property of a like nature located in or along any street, shall within twenty-four hours after such accident make a written report of such accident to the police department of this city.
- b) Every such report shall state the time when and the place where the accident took place, the name and address of the person owning and of the person driving or in charge of such vehicle or animal, the license number of every such vehicle and shall briefly describe the property damaged in such accident.
- c) A driver involved in any accident shall not be subject to the requirements or penalties of this section if and during the time such driver is physically incapable of making a report, but in such event the driver shall make a report as required in subsection (a) of this section within twenty-four hours after regaining ability to make such report. (Ord. 330)

13-8 Driving other than upon streets or alleys prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride or drive any horse or other animal or any bicycle, automobile or other motor driven vehicle, over or across any property in the city where such person is not the owner of in lawful charge or possession of such property, or has not otherwise obtained the permission of such owner or person in charge or possession thereof, except where such property is a public street or alley, or is dedicated for use as a street or alley. (Ord. 100 & 397)

13-8.1 Obstruction of City Right of Way. It shall be unlawful to place or permit obstructions on or to any City Right of Way, including, but not limited to, streets, alleys,

sidewalks and parkways. This section does not prohibit the otherwise lawful use of such rights of ways by vehicles. (Ord. 707)

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(a) Trucks and vehicles with hazardous materials prohibited from parking in residential areas.

- 1) The parking of commercial trucks or any vehicle with hazardous material is prohibited from parking at any time on the streets within all residential areas of the City of Imperial. The parking of all “Oversized Vehicles” is prohibited at any time on the streets within all residential areas of the City of Imperial. “Oversized Vehicle” means any vehicle, as that word is defined in the California Vehicle Code, or a combination of connected vehicles, which exceeds twenty-five feet in length, and/or six and a half feet in width and/or eight feet in height, exclusive of such projecting lights or devices as are expressly allowed pursuant to the California Vehicle Code as it now exists or hereafter may be amended. “Oversize Vehicle” shall not mean or include a pickup truck, which is less than twenty-five feet in length and 8 feet in height.
- 2) For the purposes of this Section, a residential area shall be as described in Chapter 24, Zoning, of the City Code of the City of Imperial.
- 3) For the purposes of this Section hazardous materials are as defined by the United States Department of Transportation Code 49 CFR “Hazardous Materials Transportation.”
- 4) For the purposes of this Section, notices shall be posted at all major entrances to the City.
- 5) For the purposes of this Section, it is presumed that a commercial vehicle is a vehicle hire, compensation, or profit of designated, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of goods.
- 6) The provisions of the Section shall not apply to vehicles owned or operated by the City or its contractors, garbage and trash trucks licensed by the City, passenger buses under the jurisdiction of the public utilities commission while parked at authorized and posted bus stops, school buses, moving vans, any vehicle owned by a public entity while necessary in construction, installation or repair of any public utility, vehicles servicing persons or firms located within the area and recreational vehicles.

(b) Restricted Vehicle Parking in Designated Areas.

- 1) Vehicle Parking – Restricted. It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to park, or cause to be parked, or left standing, any unattended vehicle

of a gross weight exceeding six thousand (6,000) pounds, at any time on the following described routes:

- (i) East and West sides of Imperial Avenue from SR 86 to Belford Road.
- (ii) North and South sides of Barioni Boulevard from B Street to E Street.
- (iii) North and South sides of 15th Street from Imperial Avenue to N Street.
- (iv) North and South sides of Joshua Tree Street from La Brucherie Road to Smokewood Trail.
- (v) East and West sides of Cross Road from Aten Road to Treshill Road.
- (vi) East and West sides of D Street from Barioni Boulevard to 5th Street.
- (vii) North and South sides of 4th Street from B Street to C Street.
- (viii) North and South side of Ralph Road from SR 86 to Railroad tracks.
- (ix) North and South sides of Neckel Road from SR 86 to P Street/Clark Road.
- (x) East and West sides of Rodeo Drive from 15th Street to Ralph Road.
- (xi) North and South sides of Barioni Boulevard from SR 86 to B Street and the South side of Barioni Boulevard/Worthington Road from B Street to Austin Road.
- (xii) East and West sides of South M Street from 4th Street to Barioni Boulevard.
- (xiii) East and West sides of South J Street from 2nd Street to Barioni Boulevard.
- (xiv) East and West sides of North K Street from Barioni Boulevard to 12th Street.

(2) This section shall not apply to commercial vehicle when loading or unloading passengers or merchandise or when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or compliance with the direction of law enforcement officers or an official traffic control device.

(For state law authorizing City to restrict weight of vehicles using certain streets, see Veh. C., s. 35701 to 35705. As to authority to prohibit particular vehicles from using certain streets, see Veh. C., s. 21101c) (Ord 698)

13-10 Driving through funeral processions. No driver of a vehicle shall drive between vehicles comprising a funeral procession while they are in motion and when the vehicles in such processions are conspicuously so designated. (Ord. 330)

13-11 Clinging to moving vehicles. No person riding upon any bicycle, motorcycle, coaster, roller skates or any toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself to any moving vehicle upon any roadway. (Ord. 330)

13-12 Driving on sidewalk or parkway area. The driver of a vehicle shall not drive within any sidewalk area or any parkway except at a permanent or temporary driveway. (Ord. 330)

13-13 Trains not to block streets. No person shall operate any train or train of cars, or permit the same to remain standing so as to block the use of any street for period of time longer than five minutes. (Ord. 330)

13-14 Driving on new pavement, closed street, etc. No person shall ride or drive any animal or any vehicle over or across any newly made pavement or freshly painted marking in any street when a barrier or sign is in place warning persons not to drive over or across such pavement or marking, or when a sign is in place stating that the street or any portion thereof is closed. (Ord. 330)

13-15 Compliance with chapter. It is a misdemeanor for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this chapter. (Ord. 330)

Article II. Traffic Control Devices.

(For state law as to power of city to regulate traffic by means of traffic control devices, see Veh. C. S. 21100)

13-16 Authority to install.

- a) The chief of police shall have the exclusive power and duty to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained official traffic control devices

when and as required under this chapter to make effective the provisions of this chapter.

- b) Whenever the Vehicle Code of this state requires for the effectiveness of any provision thereof that traffic control devices be installed to give notice to the public of the application of such law, the chief of police is hereby authorized to install the necessary devices subject to any limitations or restrictions set forth in the law applicable thereto.
- c) The chief of police may also place and main such additional traffic control devices as he may deem necessary to regulate traffic or to guide or warn traffic, but he shall make such determination only upon the basis of traffic engineering principles and traffic investigations and in accordance with such standards, limitations and rules as may be set forth in this chapter or as may be determined by ordinance or resolution of the city council. (Ord. 330)

13-17 When traffic control devices required for enforcement purposes. No provisions of the Vehicle Code or of this chapter for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator unless appropriate signs are in place and sufficiently legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person, giving notice of such provisions of the traffic laws. (Ord. 330)

13-18 Obedience to traffic control devices. The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with this chapter unless otherwise directed by a police officer subject to the exceptions granted the driver or an authorized emergency vehicle when responding to emergency calls. (Ord. 330)

13-19 Installation of traffic signals. The chief of police is hereby directed to install and maintain official traffic signals at those intersections and other places where traffic conditions are such as to require that the flow of traffic be alternately interrupted and released in order to prevent or relieve traffic congestion or to protect life or property from exceptional hazard. (Ord. 330)

13-20 Authority to remove, relocate or discontinue. The chief of police is hereby authorized to remove, relocate or discontinue the operation of any traffic control device not specifically required by state law or this chapter whenever he shall determine in any particular case that the conditions which warranted or required the installation no longer exist or obtain. (Ord. 330)

13-21. Hours of operation. The chief of police shall determine the hours and days during which any traffic control device shall be in operation or be in effect, except in those cases where such hours or days are specified in this chapter. (Ord. 330)

Article III. Turning Movements

13-22 Authority to place and obedience to turning markers.

- a) The chief of police is authorized to place markers, buttons or signs within or adjacent to intersections indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning at such intersections, and the chief of police is authorized to allocate and indicate more than one lane of traffic from which drivers of vehicles may make right or left hand turns, and the course to be traveled as so indicated may conform to or be other than prescribed by law or ordinance.

- b) When authorized markers, buttons or other indications are placed within an intersection indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning thereat, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of such indications. (Ord. 330)

13-23 Authority to place restricted turn signs. The chief of police is hereby authorized to determine those intersections at which drivers of vehicles shall not make a right, left or U turn, and shall place proper signs at such intersections. The making of such turns may be prohibited between certain hours of any day and permitted at other hours, in which event the same shall be plainly indicated on the signs or they may be removed when such turns are permitted. (Ord. 330)

13-24 Obedience to no-turn signs. Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating that no right or left or U turn is permitted, no driver of a vehicle shall disobey the directions of any such sign. (Ord. 330)

Article IV. Special Stops Required

13-25 Erection of stops signs. Whenever this chapter or any other ordinance or resolution of this city designates and describes any street or portion thereof as a through street, or any intersection at which vehicles are required to stop at one or more entrances thereto, or any railroad grade crossing at which vehicles are required to stop, the chief of police shall erect and maintain stop signs as follows:

A stop sign shall be erected on each and every street intersecting such through street or portion thereof so designated and at those entrances of other intersections where a stop is required and at any railroad grade crossing so designated. Every such sign shall conform with and shall be placed as provided in section 471 of the Vehicle Code. (Ord. 330)

13-25 Through streets designated. Those streets and parts of streets described in this section are hereby declared to be through streets. When signs are erected giving notice thereof, drivers of vehicles shall stop at the entrance to those streets described as follows:

F Street, between Fifteenth Street and Main Street.

Fourth Street, between B Street and Imperial Avenue.

Fourth Street, between C Street and H Street, inclusive.

Imperial Avenue.

Main Street.

Tenth Street, between F Street and Imperial Avenue.

U.S. Highway 99. (Ord. 330, 336, 339)

13-26 Stop intersections designated. When signs are erected giving notice thereof, drivers of vehicles shall stop at the entrance to those intersections described as follows:

Fourth and F Streets.

Ninth and H Streets.

Second and L Streets.

Seventh and D Streets.

Tenth and D Streets.

Tenth and E Streets. (Ord. 330)

13-28 Emerging from alley, private driveway or public parking lot. The driver of a vehicle emerging from any alley, driveway, building or private parking area, or from any parking lot operated by the city for public use, shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto a sidewalk or into the sidewalk area extending across any alley way, and, in the case of public parking lots, the chief of police is hereby authorized to establish the safest manner of ingress to, egress from and use thereof, and to place and maintain appropriate signs directing such ingress, egress and use; and when such signs are placed, no driver shall disobey the directions set forth thereon. (Ord. 330, 395)

Article V. Stopping, Standing and Parking.

(For state law relative to local regulation of parking, see Veh. C., S 22506 to 22509)

DIVISION 1 – GENERALLY

13-29 Applicability of article.

- a) The provisions of this article prohibiting the stopping, standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times or at those times herein specified, except when

it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic control device.

- b) The provisions of this article imposing a time limit on standing or parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the state Vehicle Code or the ordinances of this city, prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times. (Ord. 330)

13-30 Within parkways and front yards. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within any parkway nor shall any person stop, stand or park a vehicle within the area defined by Chapter 24 of this Code as the front yard; except that a person may stop, stand or park a vehicle within an area of the front yard approved by the City and improved for such purpose. (Ord. 709)

13-31 Parking in excess of one hundred twenty hours.

- a) No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of one hundred twenty hours.
- b) In the event a vehicle is parked or left standing upon a street in excess of a consecutive period of one hundred twenty hours, any member of the police department authorized by the chief of police may remove the vehicle from the street in the manner and subject to the requirements of section 22650 to 22856 of the Vehicle Code. (Ord. 330)

13-32 Parking for certain purposes prohibited. No person shall park a vehicle upon any roadway for the principal purpose of:

- a) Displaying such vehicle for sale.
- b) Washing, greasing or repairing such vehicle, except repairs necessitated by an emergency. (Ord. 330)

13-33 Parking adjacent to schools.

- a) The chief of police is hereby authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon that side of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in his opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.
- b) When official signs are erected indicating no parking upon that side of a street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place. (Ord. 330)

c) The parking of vehicles utilized for the purpose of commercial vending including, but not limited to those vehicles commonly referred to as “ice cream trucks” is prohibited in the vicinity of schools as set forth herein. No vehicle utilized for the purpose of selling any merchandise consisting of food or other commodity shall stop or park within 500 feet of the property line of any private or public school between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on days the school is in session. However, the Chief of Police, upon written recommendation from a duly authorized school representative, may waive the provisions of this ordinance where he or she determines such waiver will not interfere with normal traffic patterns.

(Ord. 756)

13-34 Parking prohibited on narrow streets. The chief of police is hereby authorized to place signs or marking indicating no parking upon any street as indicated by such signs or marking when the width of the roadway does not exceed thirty feet.

When official signs or markings prohibiting parking are erected upon narrow streets as authorized herein, no person shall park a vehicle upon any such street in violation of any such sign or marking.

(Ord. 330)

13-35 Prohibited in certain locations – general. The chief of police shall appropriately sign or mark the following places and when so signed or marked no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of such places.

- a) At any place within twenty feet of a point on the curb immediately opposite the mid-block end of a safety zone.
- b) At any place within twenty-five feet of an intersection; except, that a bus may stop at a designated bus stop.
- c) Within twenty-five feet of the approach to any traffic signal, boulevard stop sign or official electric flashing device.
- d) At any place where the chief of police determines that it is necessary to order to eliminate dangerous traffic hazards.

(Ord. 330)

13-35.1 Prohibited in certain locations – specified streets. The chief of police shall appropriately sign or mark the following places and when so signed or marked no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any of such places.

- a) Along the north side of Fifteenth Street east of State Highway 86 from BC of curb return to fifty feet east.
- b) Along the north side of Fifteenth Street west of State Highway 86 from BC to ninety feet west.

- c) Along the south side of Fifteenth Street west of State Highway 86 from BC to fifty feet west. (Ord. 599)

13-36 Emergency parking signs.

- a) Whenever the chief of police shall determine that an emergency traffic congestion is likely to result from the holding of public or private assemblages, gatherings or functions, or for other reasons, the chief of police shall have power and authority to order temporary signs to be erected or posted indicating that the operation, parking or standing of vehicles is prohibited on such streets and alleys as the chief of police shall direct during the time such temporary signs are in place. Such signs shall remain in place only during the existence of such emergency and the chief of police shall cause signs to be removed promptly thereafter.
- b) When signs authorized by the provisions of this section are in place giving notice thereof, no person shall operate, park or stand any vehicle contrary to the directions and provisions of such signs. (Ord. 330)

13-37 Restricted parking for street sweeping.

- a) For the purpose of maintaining the city streets in a clean and sanitary condition, the city council is hereby authorized and empowered to determine from time to time by resolution, streets in the city upon which parking by any automobile, truck, or other vehicle shall be prohibited. Such resolution shall set forth the days and times of the parking restriction.
- b) Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an infraction and upon conviction thereof shall be punished for the first offense by a fine not to exceed \$10.00, and for each succeeding offense committed within one year from the date of the first offense by a fine not to exceed \$50.00.
- c) In addition to any other penalties set forth herein, the city may, at the violator's expense, cause the vehicle to be removed from street and stored in accordance with law. (Ord. 573)

13-38 Parking space markings. The chief of police is authorized to install and maintain parking space markings to indicate parking spaces adjacent to curbing where authorized parking is permitted.

When such parking space marking are placed in the highway, subject to other and more restrictive limitations, no vehicle shall be stopped, left standing or parked other than within a single space unless the size or shape of such vehicle makes compliance impossible. (Ord. 330)

13-39 Standing in alley. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of persons or materials in the alley. (Ord. 330)

13-40 Prohibited during certain hours on certain streets. When authorized signs are in place giving notice thereof no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle upon any street in the central traffic district between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers or materials, subject to the limitations of section 13-43. (Ord. 330)

13-40.1 Permitting Angle Parking. Pursuant to California Vehicle Code §22503, angle parking is hereby permitted as follows:

(a) On both sides of Ninth Street between G and H Streets, to permit parking for traffic traveling from east to west.

(b) On the west side of M Street between 4th and 5th Streets. (Ord.671)

DIVISON 2 – LOADING AND UNLOADING

13-41 Authority to establish loading zones. The chief of police is hereby authorized to determine and to mark loading and passenger loading zones as follows:

a) In front of the entrance to any place of business or in front of any hall or place used for the purpose of public assembly.

b) In no event shall more than one-half of the total curb length in any block be reserved for loading zone purposes.

c) Loading zones shall be indicated by a yellow paint line stenciled with black letters, “LOADING ONLY”, upon the top of all curbs within such zones.

d) Passenger loading zones shall be indicated by a white line stenciled with black letters, “PASSENGER LOADING ONLY”, upon the top of all curbs in such zones. (Ord. 330)

13-42 Curb markings.

a) The chief of police is hereby authorized, subject to the provisions and limitations of this chapter, to place, and when required herein shall place, the following curb marking to indicate parking or standing regulations, and such curb markings shall have the meanings as herein set forth.

- 1) Red shall mean no stopping, standing, or parking at any time except as permitted by the Vehicle Code; and except, that a bus stop in a red zone marked or signed as a bus zone.
 - 2) Yellow shall mean no stopping, standing or parking at any time between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers or materials; provided, that the loading or unloading of passengers shall not consume more than three minutes nor the loading or unloading of material more than twenty minutes.
 - 3) White shall mean no stopping, standing or parking for any purpose other than loading or unloading or passengers which shall not exceed three minutes and such restrictions shall apply between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays and except as follows:
 - a. When such zone is in front of a theater the restrictions shall apply at all times except when such theater is closed.
 - b. When such zone is in front of a hotel the restrictions shall apply at all times.
 - 4) Green shall mean no standing or parking for longer than twenty minutes at any time between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays.
- b) When the chief of police as authorized under this article has caused curb markings to be placed, no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking in violation of any of the provisions of this section. (Ord. 330)

13-43 Effect of permission to load or unload.

- a) Permission herein granted to stop or stand a vehicle for purposes of loading or unloading of materials shall apply only to commercial vehicles and shall not extend beyond the time necessary therefore, and in no event for more than twenty minutes.
- b) The loading or unloading of materials shall apply only to commercial deliveries, also the delivery of pickup of express and parcel post packages and United States mail.
- c) Permission herein granted to stop or park for purposes of loading or unloading passengers shall include the loading or unloading of personal baggage but shall not extend beyond the time necessary therefore and in no event for more than three minutes.

- d) Within the total time limits above specified the provisions of this section shall be enforced so as to accommodate necessary and reasonable loading or unloading but without permitting abuse of the privileges hereby granted.

(Ord. 330)

13-44 Standing for loading or unloading only. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any yellow loading zone for any purpose other than loading or unloading passengers or material for such time as is permitted in section 13-43. (Ord. 330)

13-45. Standing in passenger loading zone. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any passenger loading zone for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers for such time as is specified in section 13-43. (Ord. 330)

Article VI. Pedestrians.

13-46 Establishment, maintenance, etc., of crosswalks. The chief of police shall establish, designate and maintain crosswalks at intersections and other places by appropriate devices, marks or lines upon the surface of the roadway. (Ord. 330)

13-47 Crossing roadway at right angles. No pedestrian shall cross a roadway at any other place other than by a route at right angles to the curb or by the shortest route to the opposite curb except in a marked crosswalk. (Ord. 330)

13-48 Standing in roadways. No person shall stand in any roadway other than in a safety zone or in a crosswalk if such action interferes with the lawful movement of traffic. This section shall not apply to any public officer or employee, or employee of a public utility when necessary upon a street in line of duty. (Ord. 330)

Article VII. Abandoned Vehicles

(For state law as to abandoned vehicles, see Veh. C. S. 22650 et seq.)

This article repealed by Ordinance No. 653

13-49 Definitions. For the purposes of this article, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

Abandoned vehicle. Any motor vehicle to which the last registered owner of record thereof has relinquished all further dominion and control. Any vehicle which is wrecked or partially dismantled or inoperative for a period of seven days shall constitute a prima facie presumption that the last registered owner thereof has abandoned such vehicle, regardless of whether the physical possession of the vehicle remains in the technical custody or control of such owner.

Property Any real property within the city which is not a street or highway.

Vehicle. A machine propelled by power other than the human power designed to travel along the ground by use of wheels, treads, runners or slides and transport persons or property or pull machinery and shall include, without limitation, automobiles, trucks, trailers, motorcycles, tractors, buggies and wagons. (415)

13-50 Prohibited; exceptions. No person shall park, store or leave or permit the parking, storing or leaving of any motor vehicle which is in a rusted, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled, inoperative or abandoned condition upon any private property within the city for a period in excess of seven days unless such vehicle is completely enclosed within a building or unless such vehicle is so stored or parked on private property in connection with a duly licensed business or commercial enterprise operated and conducted pursuant to law when such parking or storing of vehicles is necessary to the operation of the business or commercial enterprise. (Ord. 415)

13-51 Declared public nuisance. The accumulation and storage of abandoned, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled or inoperative vehicles on private property, except as expressly hereinafter permitted, is hereby declared to constitute a public nuisance which may be abated as such, which remedy shall be in addition to any other remedy provided.

13-52 Enforcement of article. Except as otherwise provided in this article, the provisions of this article shall be administered and enforced by the chief of police of the city. (415)

13-53 Public hearing generally. A public hearing shall be held on the question of abatement and removal of the vehicle or part thereof as an abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or inoperative vehicle and the assessment of the administrative costs and the cost of removal of the vehicle or part thereof against the property on which it is located. Notice of hearing shall be mailed at least ten days before the hearing by certified mail, with a five-day return requested, to the owner of the land as shown on the last equalized city assessment roll and to the last registered and legal owner of record unless the vehicle is in such condition that identification number are not available to determine ownership. If any of foregoing notices are returned undelivered by the United States Post Office, the hearing shall be continued to a date not less than ten days from the date of such return.

13-54 Notice of hearing to be given highway patrol. Notice of a hearing under section 13-53 shall also be given to the California Highway Patrol identifying the vehicle or part thereof proposed for removal, such notice to be mailed at least ten days prior to the public hearing. (Ord 415)

13-55 Conduct of hearing generally; authority of city council. All hearings under this article shall be held before the city council, which shall hear all facts and testimony it deems pertinent. The fact and testimony may include testimony of the condition of the vehicle or part thereof and the circumstances concerning its location on the said private property or public property. The city council shall not be limited by the technical rules of evidence. The owner of the land on which the vehicle is located may appear in person at the hearing or present a written statement in time for consideration at the hearing, and deny responsibility for the presence of the vehicle on the land, with his reasons for such denial.

The city council may impose such conditions and take such other action as it deems appropriate under the circumstances to carry out the purpose of this article. It may delay the time for removal of the vehicle or part thereof if, in its opinion, the circumstances justify it. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the city council may find that a vehicle or part thereof has been abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or is inoperative on private or public property and order the same removed from the property as a public nuisance and disposed of as hereinafter provided and determine the administrative costs and the cost of removal to be charged against the owner of the parcel of land on which the vehicle or part thereof is located. The order requiring removal shall include a description of the vehicle or part thereof and the correct identification number and license number of the vehicle, if available at the site.

If it is determined at the hearing that the vehicle was placed on the land without the consent of the land owner and that he has not subsequently acquiesced in its presence, the city council shall not assess costs of administration or removal of the vehicle against the property upon which the vehicle is located or otherwise attempt to collect such costs from such land owner.

If any interested party makes a written presentation to the city council but does not appear, he shall be notified in writing of the decision. (Ord. 415)

13-56 Notice requiring removal. Five days after adoption of the order declaring the vehicle or parts thereof to be a public nuisance or five days from the date of mailing of notice of the decision if such notice is required by section 13-54, the chief of police, upon authorization from the city council, shall give, or cause to be given, written notice to the registered owner of any motor vehicle which is in violation of this article, and shall give such notice to the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which such motor vehicle is located, advising that the motor vehicle be moved to a place of lawful storage within five days, or that within five days, the vehicle be housed within a building. Such notice may be serviced upon the registered owner of the vehicle by mail, addressed to the owner at the last known address on file with the department of motor vehicles of the state. Such notice to the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the property upon which such motor vehicle is located shall be personally served upon such owner or person in possession if such owner or occupant cannot be found upon the property. In lieu of person service upon the owner or occupant of the private property upon which the motor vehicle is located, the notice shall be served by mail, addressed to the owner of such property according to the last city tax assessor's rolls, and a copy of such notice shall be conspicuously posted upon the premises. (415)

13-57 Failure to remove. No person shall fail, neglect or refuse to remove the abandoned, wrecked, junked, partially dismantled or inoperative motor vehicle or to house the vehicle and abate such nuisance in accordance with the notice given pursuant to the provisions of section 13-56. (Ord. 415)

- 13-58 Abatement and removal by city. If the registered owner of any motor vehicle which is in violation of this article or if the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which such vehicle is located shall fail, neglect, or refuse to remove or house such vehicle in accordance with the notice given pursuant to section 13-56, the chief of police may remove and dispose of such motor vehicle in the manner provided for by Article 2 (commencing with section 22700) and Article 3 (commencing with section 22850) of Chapter 10, Division 1 of the California Vehicle Code. The city may thereafter maintain an action in the appropriate court against any person upon whom notice was served as required by section 13-50 to recover the cost of removing and disposing of such motor vehicle in the event the proceeds of any sale thereof shall be insufficient to recover such costs. After the vehicle has been removed it shall not thereafter be reconstructed or made operable. (Ord. 415)
- 13-59 Entry upon private property for removal or abatement. Any regularly employed and salaried officer of the police department of the city, the contracting agents of the city, the employees of such contracting agents and all authorized officers, employees and agents of the city, and each of them, are hereby expressly authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this article. It shall be unlawful for any person to interfere, hinder or refuse to allow such person so authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this article. (Ord. 415)
- 13-60 Notice after removal to department of motor vehicles. Within five days after the date of removal of the vehicle or part thereof, notice shall be given to the department of motor vehicles identifying the vehicle or part thereof removed. At the same time there shall be transmitted to the department of motor vehicles any evidence of registration available, including registration certificates, certificates of title and license plates. (Ord. 415)

Article VIII. Interstate Truck Terminal Designation

13-61 Intent and purpose. It shall be the intent and purpose of this ordinance to provide for the public necessity, health, safety or general welfare through the establishment of procedures for terminal designation and truck route designation to terminals for interstate trucks. (Ord. 516)

13-62 Revised state law. Since STAA1982 and AB866 revised current state law on truck combinations' length and width and implements federal requirements dealing with access to the federally designated system by interstate trucks, it is required that the City of Imperial enact an ordinance delineating the process of application for terminal and route designation within the bounds of the city limits by citizens/business establishments

requiring the service of said interstate trucks off said federally designated system (i.e., I-8)
(Ord. 516 & 522)

13-63 Application process:

a) Those persons qualifying as a “terminal” as defined in Section 13-64 or this ordinance and requiring terminal access from federally designated highways, shall submit an application an appropriate fee to the Public Works Department, City Hall, 420 So. Imperial Avenue, Imperial, CA.
(Ord. 516)

b) Upon receipt of the application, the Director of Public Services will determine the applicant’s conformance with the “terminal” designation and if so approved will then determine the capability of the route requested and/or alternate routes, Capability will be determined by the adequate turning radius and lane widths of ramps, intersections and highways. Also a determinant factor will be general traffic conditions such as sight distance, speed and traffic volumes for safe operation. Access off the federally designated highways will require CalTrans (District 11) approval
(Ord 516)

c) If the requested route passes through several jurisdictions (i.e., County or other municipality), applicant shall comply with that jurisdiction’s application process. Coordination will be the responsibility of the applicant.
(Ord. 516)

13-64 Definitions. Terminal and Interstate Truck as used in sections of this ordinance shall be defined as follows:

a) Terminal. A facility at which freight is consolidated to be shipped or where full load consignments may be loaded and off loaded, or at which the vehicles are regularly maintained, stored or manufactured.
(Ord. 516)

b) Interstate Truck. Tractor-semis or doubles with unlimited length as regulated by CVC 35401.5 (a), (1) and (2).
(Ord. 516)

13-65 Cost recovery.

a) Fees/costs for the application of a terminal designation: Application fee is to cover the cost of reviewing route (s) and terminal designation and to be established by City Council resolution. The application fee is non-refundable.
(Ord. 516)

b) If the application for a terminal designation is approved, the applicant will be required to pay for the purchase and installation of terminal access signs and trailblazer signs. Trailblazer signs will be required at every decision point on the route to the terminal. Said cost to be determined by the Office of the Director of Public Services of the City.
(Ord. 516)

13-66 Revocation of route. The Director of Public Services is authorized to revoke any approved route if said route proves to be a safety hazard for any vehicular traffic. A safety hazard is defined as inability of the interstate trucks to negotiate route and/or said trucks causing unsafe driving conditions for other vehicular traffic and/or pedestrians.

13-67 Appeals process.

a) If the Office of the Director of Public Services denies terminal designation and/or route feasibility or revokes a previously approved route per section 13-66 above, the applicant/terminal owner, within ten (10) days following the date of a decision of the Director of Public Services on a revocation of terminal access or terminal designation may appeal said decision to the City Council. An appeal shall be made on a form prescribed by the Department of Public Services and shall be filed with the City Clerk. The appeal shall state specifically wherein there was an error or abuse of discretion by the Director of Public Services or wherein its decision is not supported by the evidence in the record. Within five (5) days of the filing of an appeal, the Director of Public Services shall transmit to the City Clerk the terminal application, the sketches of the revoked route and all other data filed therewith, the report of the Director of Public Services, the findings of the Director of Public Services and his decision on the application. (Ord. 516)

b) The City Clerk shall give notice to the applicant and to the appellant (If the applicant is not the appellant) and may give notice to any other interested party of the time when the appeal will be considered by the City Council.
(Ord. 516)

c) If CalTrans (District 11) and not the Director of Public Services denies or revokes terminal access from federally designated highways, no appeal may be made to the City Council, but must be made to said CalTrans (District 11) (Ord. 516)

13-68 Retrofitting ramps, intersections and roadways. If all feasible routes to a requested terminal are deemed unsatisfactory by the Office of Director of Public Services, the applicant may request retrofitting the deficiencies, but all costs of engineering, construction and inspection will be borne by the applicant. Upon request, the City will form a benefit district to assist in cost recovery by any other “terminal(s)” using the improved route. Said benefit district costs would be in proportion to the section of route utilized. (Ord. 516)

Article IX Establishing Traffic Commission and Enumerating its Duties and Powers

13-69 Establishment of Commission. There is hereby created an advisory commission which shall be known as the “City of Imperial Traffic Commission.” The appointment and service of the member of said Commission shall be made by the City Council.

13-70 Membership and Duration of Commission. The Traffic Commission shall consist of five members to be appointed by the City Council.

A. One member of the Planning Commission of the city, who shall serve for the duration of his/her term on the Planning Commission.

- B. One businessperson of the city.
- C. Two residents of either the city or county area, within the sphere of influence.
- D. The Chief of Police.
- E. Each member (other than Planning Commission member) shall serve a term of four years.
- F. Each member shall hold office until he/she is reappointed or his/her successor is appointed.
- G. The City Council shall fill all vacancies occurring on the Traffic Commission by appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- H. At the first meeting of the Traffic Commission, it shall classify each member so that two (2) members shall serve for a term of two (2) years and two (2) members shall serve for a term of four (4) years. Upon the expiration of such terms all appointments and reappointments shall be for a period of four (4) years.

13-71 Compensation of Members. Members of the Traffic Commission shall serve without compensation.

13-72 Staff Assistance. The City Manager shall ensure that adequate staff will be allocated to provide necessary technical and clerical assistance to the Commission.

13-73 Duties of Commission. The duties of the Traffic Commission shall be as follows:

- A. Act in an advisory capacity to the City Council to address local traffic safety and traffic control issues.
- B. Provide a forum for City residents to express their opinions, concerns, requests and complaints pertaining to traffic safety and traffic control issues.
- C. Hold public hearings, review and make recommendations for adoption by the City council such ordinances, resolutions and rules as are necessary to provide for the orderly control of vehicle traffic within the city.
- D. The Commission shall not duplicate planning commission duties relating to the review of subdivision and other development plans.

13-74 Time and Place of Meetings.

- A. The Traffic Commission shall establish a regular date, time and place for its meetings.

B. All meetings of the Traffic Commission shall be open to the public and are subject to provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

13-75. Officers. The Commission shall select one of its members to serve as Chair and a second to serve as Vice Chair of the Commission. Reorganization of the Commission shall occur annually at the first meeting in July, provided any newly appointed or reappointed Commissioners have been seated.

13-76. Removal from Office. Members of the Traffic Commission may be removed from office, or their office may be declared vacant, in the following manner and for the following reasons:

A. If a member not longer meets the requirements and conditions as set out in Section 13-70 of the ordinance, his or her removal shall be automatic and no action by the City Council shall be necessary.

B. If a member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings, in which his or her removal shall be automatic and no action by the City Council shall be necessary.

13-77 Provisions of Chapter 13 Inconsistent with this Article. To the extent provisions of Chapter 13 of the Imperial City Code are inconsistent with this article, this article shall prevail. (Ord. 649)

Article X. Weight limit; Truck routes

13-78 Weight limit; truck route.

- a) Except as otherwise provided in the Municipal Code no person shall drive or operate any vehicle that weights in excess 3 ½ gross tons (vehicle plus load) upon any street in the City of Imperial except upon the following streets or portions of streets.
 1. Highway 86 from northerly city limits to Treshill Road
 2. Highway 86 from southerly city limits to Keystone Road
 3. Dogwood Road from northerly city limits to Treshill Road
 4. Austin Road from northerly city limits to Treshill Road (Central Main Area)
 5. Dogwood Road from southerly city limits to Keystone Road.
 6. Austin road from southerly city limits to Keystone Road.
 7. Keystone Road from easterly city limits (Dogwood Road) to Austin Road.
 8. Keystone Road from westerly city limits (Austin Road) to Dogwood Road.
- b) The streets or portions of streets listed in subsection (a) of this section are hereby designated as the “City’s Truckroute.” For purposes of section (a) and subsection (g) of this section, streets and portions of streets that are not part of the truckroute shall be referred to as “restricted streets.”
- c) The provisions of this section do not apply to any vehicle that is subject to Section 1031 to 1036, inclusive, of the Public Utilities Code.
- d) The provisions of this section do not apply to (1) any state highway that is included in the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, unless and until the ordinance enacting this section is submitted to and approved by the California Transportation Commission as provided in Section 35701(c) of the Vehicle Code; or (2) any other state highway unless and until the ordinance enacting this section is submitted to and approved in writing by the department of transportation as provided in Section 35702 of the Vehicle Code.

- e) This section shall not be effective until appropriate signs are erected at appropriate intervals along the city's truckroute indicating the streets and portions of streets that constitute the city's truckroute. The city traffic engineer is authorized and directed to erect such signs.
- f) This section shall not apply to any vehicle owned by a public utility or a licensed contractor while necessarily in use in the construction, installation, or repaid of any public utility.
- g) This section does not prohibit a commercial vehicle that is coming from any street that is a part of the truckroute from having ingress and egress by direct route to and from a restricted street when such ingress or egress is necessary for the purpose of making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares, and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted street or for the purpose of delivering materials to be used in the actual and bonafide repair, alteration, remodeling, or construction of any building or structure upon the restricted street for which a building permit has previously been issued.
- h) This section shall not apply to any vehicle owned, leased, operated or controlled by any licensed contractor while necessarily in use in the construction, maintenance, or repair of a public works project, or by any highway carrier regulated by the public utilities commission while transporting any materials to or from a public works project, when the bids were opened prior to the adoption of the ordinance adding this section to the city's Municipal Code unless an alternate direct route is provided substantially within and by the city.

13-79 Oversized vehicles. Except as otherwise provided in the Municipal Code, and except as otherwise provided in the Vehicle Code, no person shall operate any of the following vehicles upon any street in the City of Imperial:

- a) Any vehicle or combination of vehicles that is more than 8 ½ feet in width, with load;
- b) Any vehicle that is more than 14 feet in height, with load, measured from the surface of the road to the top of the load, if any;
- c) Any vehicle that is more than 40 feet in length, measured from the front bumper of the vehicle to the rearmost part of the vehicle.
- d) Except as provided in subparagraph 5 below, any combination of vehicles coupled together, including any attachments that exceeds a total length of 65 feet.
- e) Any combination of vehicles coupled together, including any attachments, which consists of a truck tractor, a semitrailer, and a semitrailer or trailer, if the combination of vehicles exceeds a total length of 75 feet, and if either the

semitrailer or the trailer in the combination of vehicles exceeds 28 feet six inches.

13-80 Special permit; overweight and oversize vehicles. Upon application in writing, and if good cause appears, the city engineer may grant a special permit in writing authorizing the applicant to operate a vehicle that weighs in excess of 5 ½ gross tons upon a restricted street. Upon application in writing and if good cause appears, the city engineer may grant a special permit in writing authorizing the applicant to operate a vehicle that exceeds the height, width, or length limitations set forth herein upon those city streets specified in the special permit. The application for any such permit shall be made on a form approved by the city and shall specifically describe the vehicle and load to be operated or moved, the height, width, and length of the vehicle, and the particular street or streets over which permit to operate is requested. The city engineer is authorized to withhold such permit in his discretion. In the event the city engineer issues the same, he may limit or prescribe conditions of operation of such vehicle to protect the public and assure against damage to road surfaces or foundations, bridges, or other structures. Every such permit shall specify the vehicle and street or streets to which it applies, and set out the time or times and the date or dates within which the vehicle may be operated on the streets indicated. No permit issued pursuant to this section shall be issued for a period of time in excess of 365 days. Every such permit shall be carried in the vehicle to which it refers, and shall be subject to inspection upon request by any police or traffic officer, or any officer or employee charged with the care or protection of such streets. Applications for permits pursuant to this section shall be filed with the city engineer at least 48 hours before the date on which the vehicle for which a permit is requested is to be operated upon city streets.

13-81 Special permit fee. An applicant for a special permit shall pay to the city engineer, at the time of filing the application for the special permit, a fee in an amount which shall be set by resolution adopted by the city council. No such fee shall be refundable. Special services necessitated by unusually large or heavy loads requiring engineering investigations, escorts, tree trimming, or other services shall be billed to, and paid by, the applicant separately for each permit. The city's billing for special services shall be based on the cost to the city of providing the special services.

13-82 Vehicles prohibited from using certain streets.

- a) The city council may, by resolution, designate and declare any street or portion thereof as a street, the use of which is prohibited by any commercial vehicle over a specified weight. Those streets or portions or streets so established by resolution of the city council are hereby declared to be streets, the use of which is prohibited by any commercial vehicle over the specified weight.
- b) The city council may, by resolution, designate and declare any residential street or portion thereof as a street, the use of which is prohibited by certain classes or types of vehicles as may be specified in such resolution. Those residential streets or parts of streets so established by resolution of the city council are hereby declared to be streets, the use of which is prohibited by any vehicle

belonging to the classes or types prohibited or restricted by such resolution. “Residential street,” as used in this subsection B., means any street or portions of street which is designated as a “local” street on the circulation plan map referenced in the city’s comprehensive plan, as it may be amended from time to time.

- c) After the adoption or amendment of any resolution pursuant to this section, the city traffic engineer shall erect and maintain appropriate signs providing notice of whatever prohibitions or restrictions are established on those streets or portions of streets affected by such action of the city council.
- d) The provisions of this section, or any resolution adopted pursuant to this section, shall not apply to:
 - 1. School buses;
 - 2. Passenger buses or any other common carriers licensed as passenger stage corporations under the jurisdiction of the public utilities commission;
 - 3. Any vehicle used for the collection or transportation of garbage, trash, refuse, ore recycled materials while necessarily in use in the collection or transportation of such materials to or from locations on a restricted street;
 - 4. Any vehicle owned by a public utility or a licensed contractor while necessarily in use in the construction, installation, or repair of any public utility; or
 - 5. Any vehicle owned, leased, operated or controlled by any licensed contractor while necessarily in use in the construction, maintenance, or repair of a public works project, or by any highway carrier regulated by the public utilities commission while transporting any materials to or from a public works project, when the bids were opened prior to the adoption of this Ordinance unless an alternate direct route is provided substantially within and by the city.
- e) This section does not prohibit a commercial vehicle that is going to or coming from any street that is part of the City’s Truckroute as designated by section 13-70 from having ingress or egress by direct route on or along a restricted street when such ingress or egress is necessary for the purpose of making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares, and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted street or for the purpose of delivering materials to be used in the actual and bonafide repair, alteration, remodeling, or construction of any building or structure upon the restricted street for which a building permit has previously been issued.

13-83 Violations. Except as otherwise provided in Section 35784 of the Vehicle Code, any violation of any of the terms and conditions of any permit issued pursuant to the provisions of the sections above is a violation of the provisions of Section 35784 of the Vehicle Code and is punishable as provided in Section 35784 of the Vehicle Code. Transporting an extra legal load on any street in the city, or causing or directing the operation of or driving on any street in the city any vehicle or combination of vehicles for which a permit is required pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, without having obtained a permit issued in accordance with section 13-72 of this chapter, is a violation of the provisions of Section 35784.5 of the Vehicle Code and is punishable as provided in that section. (Ord. 710)

Article XI. Unlawful Parking of Trailers, Mobile homes, Recreational Vehicles, Trucks and Buses; Exceptions; Permits.

13.84 Unlawful Parking of Trailers, Mobile homes, Recreational Vehicles, Trucks and Buses; Exceptions; Permits.

- a) Street Parking. No person shall park or stand or permit to remain for a longer period than twenty-four (24) hours on any street or highway or public alley or on a parkway area between curb and sidewalk any of the following vehicles:
1. Any trailer (whether attached to another vehicle or separate);
 2. Semi-trailer;
 3. Mobile home;
 4. Bus (as defined in the California Vehicle Code);
 5. Any recreational vehicle or temporary recreational vehicle.

“Recreational Vehicle” means:

- a. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE. A motor home, slide-in camper, travel trailer, with or without motive power, designed for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy.
- b. CAMPING TRAILER. A vehicular portable unit mounted on wheels and constructed with collapsible partial sidewalls which fold for towing by another vehicle and unfold at the campsite and designed for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy.
- c. MOTOR HOMES. A vehicular unit built on or permanently attached too a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis, chassis cab or van, which becomes an integral part of the completed vehicle, designed for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy.
- d. SLIDE-IN CAMPER. A portable unit, consisting of a roof, floor and sides, designed to be loaded onto and unloaded from the bed of a pickup truck, and designed for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy and shall include a truck camper.

- e. TRAVEL TRAILER. A portable unit, mounted on wheels, of such a size and weight as not to require special highway movement permits when drawn by a motor vehicle and for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy.

“Temporary recreational vehicle” means:

Any motor vehicle altered and equipped for sleeping or human habitation.

- 6) Any vehicle which is capable of greater than 1500 pounds (3/4 ton) cargo capacity.

b) 1) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES AND TRAILERS. A recreational vehicle, camping trailer, motor home, slide-in camper, travel trailer, temporary recreational vehicle or other vehicle designed for human habitation for recreational or emergency occupancy may park or stand on any street or highway or public alley or on a parkway area between curb and sidewalk for not to exceed forty-eight hours.

2) EXCEPTION FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCKS. This section shall not apply to a commercial truck (as established by a current registration with the state Department of Motor Vehicles):

- 1) While such truck is being loaded or unloaded and such additional time is reasonable required for such loading and unloading operations; or
- 2) When such vehicle is parked in connection with, and in aid of, the performance of a service to or on a property in the block on which such vehicle is parked for a period reasonably necessary to complete such service.

c) TRAILER PARKING PERMIT

1) Purpose. The purpose of authorizing the issuance of a permit is to give an owner a vehicle referred to in subsection (a) the ability to park the subject vehicles for purposes of loading or unloading such vehicle, and to allow an out of town visitor to park on a street adjacent to the residence which the out of town visitor is visiting. The purpose of authorizing the issuance of a permit to allow a handicapped person, whether or not such person has a handicapped license plate, to park a vehicle on a highway in the City.

2) Persons holding a valid permit issued pursuant to this ordinance may park permitted vehicle on a street in a residential area.

3) The police chief, or designee, is authorized to issue permits authorized by this ordinance.

4) Every person desiring a parking permit or handicap permit will file an application with the police chief, or designee, containing the following:

a. The name, address and phone number of the registered owner and applicant of the vehicle for which a permit is sought;

b. The license number, make and model of the vehicle;

c. The dates for which the permit is requested;

d. The dates and duration of any and all permits issued to the applicant within the immediately preceding 90-day period;

e. Additional information the police chief, or designee, may reasonably require;

f. The applicant must sign an application under penalty of perjury.

5. Fees. Applicants for permits issued pursuant to this ordinance will pay to the City a fee equal to the sum of money sufficient to reimburse the City for all expenses incurred by it in connection with processing permit applications. The amount of such fees will be established periodically by City Council resolution.

5. Issuance.

a. The police chief will issue a permit if:

i. The application was complete in accordance with this chapter;

ii. There are no grounds for denying the permit; and

iii. The applicant accepts the permit in writing.

b. Use of any permit issued pursuant to this chapter will conform to the general permit conditions of this chapter and such other conditions as may be imposed by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. (Ord. 775)

(Ord 755 repealed former section 13-80 b and renumbered 13-80 c and 13-80 d to 13-80 b and 13-80 c)