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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. 54

An Ordinance imposing certain parking regulations for County Roads in the nonincorporated areas of Multnomah County, and those incorporated areas presently serviced by consensual agreement.

Multnomah County ordains as follows:

ARTICLE I - DEFINITIONS.

Section 1. Bus Loading Zones.

The space adjacent to the curb reserved for the exclusive use of motor busses, in the loading and unloading of passengers and merchandise and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 2. Construction Zone.

The space adjacent to the curb and in immediate proximity to the premises where construction, alterations, remodeling, repairing, or similar work is in progress and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 3. Crosswalk.

"Crosswalk" means:

- (a) except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, that portion of a roadway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the street or highway measured from the curbs, or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the traveled roadway to the property lines; or the prolongation of the lateral lines of a sidewalk, to the sidewalk on the opposite side of the street, if the prolongation would meet such sidewalk; or
- (b) Any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface of such roadway, conforming in design to standards prescribed by the Oregon State Highway Commission. Whenever marked crosswalks have been indicated, such crosswalks and no other shall be deemed lawful across such roadway at that intersection.

Section 4. Curb.

Any raised margin along lines established by ordinance as curb lines, defining the space in the street devoted to vehicular traffic.

Section 5. Emergency Zone.

Places designated with official signs, barricades or other markings by the Director of Public Works or Director of Public Safety where during emergencies or because of contingent emergencies no parking shall be allowed.

Section 6. Entrance Zone.

The space adjacent to the curb in front of the entrance to any public building, school building, theatre, church, or firehouse, and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 7. Intersection.

The area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines or, if none, then of the lateral boundary lines of two or more streets or highways which join one another at an angle, whether or not one street or highway crosses the other.

Section 8. Loading Zone - Truck.

The space adjacent to the curb reserved for the exclusive use of trucks actually engaged in the loading or unloading of passengers, goods, wares, merchandise or materials, and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 9. Park, Parking, or Parked.

The stopping or standing of any vehicle upon any street or highway, whether such vehicle is occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers or freight, or in obedience of traffic regulations or traffic signs or signals.

Section 10. Person.

Every natural person, firm, copartnership, association or corporation.

Section 11. Roadway.

That portion of a publicly owned street or highway improved, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.

Section 12. Safety Zone.

The area or space officially set apart within a roadway for the exclusive use of pedestrians and which is protected or is so marked or indicated by adequate signs as to be plainly visible at all times while set apart as a safety zone.

Section 13. School Bus.

Every motor vehicle owned by a public or governmental agency and operated for the transportation of children to or from school, or privately owned and operated for compensation for the transportation of children to or from school; provided, that the term "school bus" shall not be construed to include vehicles commonly known and used as private passenger vehicles and not operated for compensation except in the transportation of children to or from school.

Section 14. School Zone.

The space adjacent to or in the proximity of a school building or the grounds thereof, or a school crossing and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 15. Sidewalk.

That portion of a street between the curb lines, or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent property line intended for the use of pedestrians.

Section 16. Sled.

Every vehicle moving over the streets, except such vehicles as move exclusively on revolving wheels in contact with the surface of the road.

Section 17. Street or Highway.

The entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular traffic.

Section 18. Taxicab.

Every motor vehicle, except an ambulance, equipped with a taximeter which is used as a basis for determining rates for the transportation of passengers.

Section 19. Taxicab Zone.

The space adjacent to the curb reserved for the exclusive use of taxicabs, and designated by official signs or markings.

Section 20. Tow Away Zone.

The space adjacent to the curb on any street or avenue, or portion thereof, on which stopping or parking has been prohibited for specific hours of the day, or otherwise, and which is designated as a Tow Away Zone by official signs or markings.

Section 21. Trailer.

Every vehicle without motor power, designed for carrying or accommodating persons or property and drawn by a motor vehicle.

Section 22. Vehicle.

Every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon any public street or highway, except devices moved by human power, or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

ARTICLE II - PARKING REGULATIONS - GENERALLY.

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to stop, stand or park such vehicle contrary to the following parking reg-

ulations, whether attended or unattended, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control signal:

(a) Manner of Parking.

1. In parking a vehicle on any street it shall be placed with the right-hand side parallel to the right-hand curb line and not more than one foot therefrom; provided, however, that on streets where only one-way traffic is permitted, a vehicle may be parked parallel with the curb line on either side of said streets unless otherwise posted by the Department of Public Works; provided, that such vehicle must be headed in the direction in which traffic is permitted, and that it shall be parked so as not to obstruct traffic and not more than one foot from the curb.
2. Angle parking is prohibited except where properly designated by official signs or markings, provided that angle parking of motorcycles, motor scooters, or other similar two or three-wheel vehicles, is permitted so long as such vehicles do not extend more than an average car width from the curb.
3. No person shall permit a vehicle in his charge to remain backed to the curb of any street except while engaged in actually loading or unloading the same, and then only when it is absolutely necessary for the purpose owing to the weight or size of the merchandise being handled and in no event shall it be permissible to allow such vehicle to remain for a period greater than 20 minutes. The motive power attached to any vehicle so backed to the curb shall be turned parallel to the curb and in the direction in which the traffic is required to be moved upon the same side of the street, except that in case of a truck and trailer combination, the truck shall be removed and parked separately. All vehicles shall be parked parallel to the curb for loading or unloading and shall be subject to all rules and regulations in regard to parking within Multnomah County.

- (b) It is unlawful for any person to park, except for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers, any bus, local or interurban zone, on any street, road or highway within Multnomah County.

Section 2. Prohibitions.

The provisions of this Ordinance relating to stopping, standing or parking shall not apply to vehicles of the fire and Police,

authorized emergency vehicles or other apparatus when answering calls or alarms or going to or from a fire.

Section 3. Right of Way for Parking.

The motorist who first begins maneuvering his vehicle into a vacant parking space shall have a prior right of way, to park in such space, and it shall be unlawful for another driver to attempt to deprive him thereof by blocking his access.

Section 4. Parking Prohibited Without First Removing Key.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the owner, driver or person in charge of a motor vehicle, to park or permit such vehicle to be parked within the limits of Multnomah County without first stopping the motor, locking the ignition, and removing the ignition key. If the vehicle is attended, the ignition key need not be removed.
- (b) Whenever a police officer shall find a motor vehicle parked unattended with the ignition key in the vehicle in violation of (a) of this section the police officer may, for purposes of safety, remove the key from the vehicle and deliver it to the person in charge of the nearest police station, providing due notice is given to the owner indicating such removal and place of deposit.

ARTICLE III. STOPPING OR PARKING PROHIBITED IN SPECIFIED PLACES.

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to stop, stand, or park such vehicle, whether attended or unattended, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control signal in any of the following places.

- (a) Within an intersection.
- (b) Within a crosswalk.
- (c) Between a safety zone and the adjacent curb or within thirty (30) feet of points of the curb immediately opposite the ends of a safety zone, unless local or traffic authorities shall indicate a different length by signs or markings.
- (d) Within twenty-five (25) feet from the intersection of curb lines, or if none, then within fifteen (15) feet of the intersection of property lines at an intersection within a business or residence district.
- (e) Within thirty (30) feet upon the approach to any official flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of the roadway.
- (f) Within fifteen (15) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station.
- (g) Within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant, save and except taxicabs occupying properly signed taxi zones.
- (h) In front of a private driveway including the radius or ramps thereof.

- (i) On a sidewalk, or parking strip.
- (j) Alongside or opposite any street, road or highway excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing, or parking would obstruct traffic, unless the vehicle so stopped or parked is being used in connection with the maintenance or repair of public or private utility service, above, below, or upon the surface of the street or highway and the location of such vehicle is necessary in connection with such maintenance or repair.
- (k) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge of a street, road or highway.
- (l) At any place where official signs, curb paint, or markings have been installed prohibiting standing, stopping, or parking; provided, however, driver attended private passenger motor vehicles and taxicabs may stop for not to exceed thirty (30) seconds in such town away zone, for the sole purpose of loading or unloading passengers.
- (m) Within a twenty-five (25) foot radius of the intersection of the center lines of a street, road or highway and a railway crossing.
- (n) In front of the entrance or other place where mail is received of any post office or postal station, or within ten (10) feet of a private mail box during the hours of delivery.
- (o) In any street so as to prevent the free passage of other vehicles in both directions at the same time except on one-way streets, or so as to prevent any vehicle from turning from one street into another street.
- (p) In any street, road, highway, alley, lane, sidewalk, or parking strip for the storage of any vehicle in lieu of a garage or off street parking area.
- (q) In any streets, roads or highway for the purpose of displaying the same for sale or exchange.
- (r) In any emergency zone.
- (s) In any entrance zone except to load or unload passengers for a period of time not to exceed one minute, except in any area designated as a Tow Away Zone during the hours when stopping or parking is prohibited.
- (t) In any bus loading zone except a motor bus, or taxi-cab actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers or merchandise for a period not exceeding two minutes. Taxicabs using any bus loading zone shall use only the entrance end of the zone and shall not use the zone between the hours of 4:30 and 6:00 p.m.
- (u) On private property without the consent of the owners of such private property.
- (v) In any construction zone except by such vehicles as are actually necessary to the construction work being carried on.

- (w) On County-owned or County-operated property designated for use for motor vehicle parking by authorized County personnel only, without the consent of the County, if there is in plain view on such property a sign prohibiting public parking or restricting parking thereon.
- (aa) In any street, road, highway, alley, lane or on any sidewalk, parking strip, public park property, County-owned property or County-operated property for more than 24 hours, if such vehicle is disabled or abandoned.
- (bb) On either or both sides of any street adjacent to any school property if there is in plain view on such property a sign prohibiting public parking or restricting parking thereon.
- (cc) At any place in which stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles would create an especially hazardous condition or cause unusual delay to traffic if there is in plain view on such property a sign prohibiting public parking, or restricting parking thereon.
- (dd) In any public park property, County-owned property or County-operated property when such parking would interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation, if there is in plain view on such property a sign prohibiting public parking or restraining parking thereon.

ARTICLE IV. PARKING TIME LIMIT.

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or stop any vehicle for a longer period of time than designated by official signs or other markings, placed by the Department of Public Works, except on Sundays, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Such parking time limits shall be effective only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. unless designated "No Parking At Any Time", or otherwise designated by official signs or markings and the aggregate of time of all stops on the same side of the street of any vehicle within a space of 200 lineal feet measured along the curb line and within intersections shall not exceed said designated time limit during any three-hour period, where one or two-hour parking is designated, or during any two-hour period where 30-minute parking is designated.

ARTICLE V. PUBLIC PARKING, AUTO SALES OR REPAIR BUSINESS PROHIBITIONS.

Section 1.

- (a) It is unlawful for the person in charge of a public parking business or an auto sales or repair business to permit a vehicle to be parked on a street while that vehicle is in the custody of the business for the purpose of being parked, offered for sale or repaired or for the display of advertising. As used in this Section, "person in charge" means an owner, operator or employee who is physically present and actually supervising operation of the business; "public parking business" means a business offering public off-street

parking as a service; and "auto sales or repair business" means a business offering new or used vehicles for sale or offering vehicle repair service.

- (b) If a vehicle is parked on the street while in the custody or possession of a public parking business or an auto sales or repair business for the purpose of being parked, offered for sale or repaired, it is prima facie evidence that the person in charge permitted the vehicle to be parked on the street.
- (c) It is unlawful to use the public right-of-way for the storage of any object other than a vehicle without obtaining a permit from the Department of Public Works.

ARTICLE VI. SPECIAL PARKING PERMITS.

Section 1.

The Director of the Department of Public Works may issue, or cause to be issued, without charge, a special parking permit and identification card in substantially the following form:

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(Front)

Date issued _____ Expires _____ Permit No. _____

SPECIAL PARKING PERMIT AND IDENTIFICATION CARD

Permittee _____ Address _____

Type of Service Rendered _____

Signature of Permittee _____

Make of _____ Model _____ Year _____

License No. _____

This vehicle, because of the official nature of its use, is allowed to park when this card is displayed as indicated on the back, with restrictions and in the area indicated below:

Approved: _____
Director of Public Works

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(Back)

This card must be fastened to the sun visor in front of a driver's seat. If vehicle is not equipped with adjustable sun visor the card shall be displayed in the windshield in front of the driver's seat when car is parked.

This card shall not be displayed in any vehicle other than that for which it is issued, and then only when such vehicle is parked in the place or places designated on the face of the card.

This Permit is revocable at any time.

All Special parking permits issued by authority of this section shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which issued. A new permit may be issued for ensuing years by the Director of the Department of Public Works in the same manner as in the original application.

ARTICLE VII. STORAGE PARKING OF HEAVY VEHICLES - REGULATIONS.

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for any person, owning or having control of any vehicle, trailer or sled, in excess of three-quarter ton capacity, or with gross vehicle weight in excess of 6,000 lbs., to park or leave same standing for storage in lieu of off-street or garage parking of such equipment, upon any street, avenue or public way in a residential area or upon either side of any street, avenue or public way in front of or adjacent to any residence, church, school, multiple dwelling, hospital, or playground. The provisions of this Section shall not be deemed to prohibit the lawful parking of such equipment upon any street, avenue or public way for the actual loading or unloading of goods, wares, or merchandise; provided, however, that "loading" and "unloading" as used in this section shall be limited to the actual time consumed in such operation. The parking of any equipment under authority of this section shall in no event be within twenty-five feet of the intersection of curb lines, or if there is no curb, then within fifteen feet of the intersection of property lines at any intersection.

Section 2.

Any person, owning or having control of any vehicle, trailer or sled in excess of three-quarter ton capacity, or with gross vehicle weight in excess of 6,000 lbs., shall within two (2) years from the date of passage of this Ordinance, and in no event later than January 1, 1974, provide, at their own expense, complete off-street parking facilities for the storage of all such equipment owned or controlled by them. Such parking facilities shall be in accordance with current provisions of the Multnomah County Zoning Ordinances and Regulations.

ARTICLE VIII. PROHIBITION OF PARKING DURING EMERGENCIES IN AREAS OF EVACUATION.

Section 1.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association to park, cause to be parked, or allow to remain parked, a vehicle or vehicles during any declared Civil Emergency in those areas of evacuation where parking has been prohibited by the Department of Public Works.

ARTICLE IX. IMPOUNDING OF VEHICLES.

Section 1.

In the event any motor vehicle shall be found standing or parked in or upon any street, road or highway of Multnomah

County within the jurisdiction of the terms of this Ordinance in violation of and contrary to any of the provisions of this Ordinance applicable to stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles, the owner or person entitled to possession of such motor vehicle may be issued a citation, and the vehicle may be removed or caused to be removed by the Department of Public Safety and held at the expense of the owner or person entitled to possession. If a vehicle is so removed and held, the provisions relating to Notice to Owner, Appraisal of Value and Owner Reclaiming Vehicle shall be followed as prescribed in ORS 483.384 and 483.386. If said vehicle be not so redeemed within thirty (30) days, it will be disposed of as prescribed in ORS 483.388 through 483.396.

ARTICLE X. SIGNS OR CURB MARKINGS.

Section 1.

The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to install or cause to be installed proper signs, curb markings, or other designations reasonably necessary to carry out any of the provisions of this ordinance.

P E N A L T I E S

Violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and/or confinement in the County Jail for not more than ten (10) days, or both.

DATE OF PASSAGE: June 8, 1972.

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