

Article III. Stopping, Standing and Parking.¹

Sec. 29-7. Regulations adopted by City Council.

Except as hereinafter provided, regulations pertaining to the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles in the city shall be established by ordinance or resolution of the City Council. (Vehicle Code Sections 22507, 22519; Ord. No. 995)

Sec. 29-7. 1 Parking on public highway.

No person shall leave standing or cause or permit to be left standing any vehicle upon any portion of any public highway in the city unless a clear and unobstructed width of not less than twenty feet upon the highway opposite any of such standing vehicle shall be left for the free passage of other vehicles thereon; provided, that these provisions shall not apply to a vehicle which shall be disabled while on such main traveled portion of the highway, in such manner and to such extent that it shall be impossible to avoid stopping such vehicle on the main traveled portion of the highway and impracticable to remove the same therefrom until repairs shall have been made. (Mun. Code, Sec. 6033; Ord. No. 995)

Sec. 29-7.2. Parking enforcement officers.

The city shall employ one or more parking enforcement officers, who shall be authorized to issue citations and be responsible for the enforcement of all parking and non-moving traffic regulations in effect in the city. (Ord. No. 307; Ord. No. 995)

Sec. 29-8. Parallel parking.

Every vehicle stopped upon a street or road where there are adjacent curbs shall be so stopped or parked with the right side wheels of such vehicle parallel with and within eighteen inches of the right hand curb. Where no curbs or barriers bound any roads, parallel parking is required unless otherwise indicated. (Mun. Code, Sec. 6020)

Sec. 29-8.1. Authority to prohibit commercial vehicles from parking more than 18 inches from the curb on Minnesota Avenue between Alondra Boulevard and Madison Street.

As authorized under Section 22502(c) of the California Vehicle Code, no person shall park a commercial vehicle more than 18 inches from the curb on Minnesota Avenue between Alondra Boulevard and Madison Street. (Ord. No. 741)

¹For state law relative to local regulation of parking, see Veh. C., Sec. 22506 to 22509.

Sec. 29-9. Parking time limit zones.

No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle upon that portion of a public street or place where the city council or some person or agency pursuant to the directions of the city council shall erect or cause to be erected appropriate signs upon that portion of the public street or place, and such signs shall clearly specify between what hours and for what period of time it shall be unlawful to stand or park vehicles. (Mun. Code, Sec. 6021)

Sec. 29-9.1. Recreational and commercial vehicle parking regulations.

(a) For purposes of this section, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

- (1) "Recreational vehicle" shall mean any motor vehicle, motor home, travel trailer, camper, tent trailer, camping trailer, boat trailer, van conversion, "pop up" van, and similar vehicles, including but not limited to vehicles registered as house cars, designed and used for human habitation.
- (2) "Commercial vehicle" shall mean any vehicle painted, configured, or designed for primary use in a commercial profession or trade and having an unladen weight of 6,000 pounds or greater, or any vehicle more than 19-feet in length or 7-feet in width or 7-feet in height.
- (3) "Residence purposes" shall mean the use of a vehicle for living, sleeping, occupation, habitation or other use as temporary or permanent shelter or quarters.

(b) Recreational vehicle regulations:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, no person shall park or leave standing any recreational vehicle on any public street or right-of-way within the City, or on any City-owned off-street parking facility.
- (2) In addition to the regulations contained herein, recreational vehicles parked on private property shall comply with all applicable development standards for the zone in which they are located, including parking location and screening.
- (3) Recreational vehicles shall be used in compliance with all applicable ordinances regulating traffic or the condition of vehicles.
- (4) Recreational vehicles parked on private property shall not be parked or stored in such a way as to create a dangerous or unsafe condition. All pointed objects such as boat propellers, motors and trailer hitches, including ball type hitches and trailer tongues, protruding from recreational vehicles located within two feet of a sidewalk, bike path, roadway pavement or other pedestrian or vehicular way, shall be covered or protected so as not to create a safety hazard.
- (5) On property containing a residential use, no major repairs shall be performed on any recreational vehicle. On property containing a commercial use, no major repairs shall be performed on any recreational vehicle except in accordance with all applicable development standards, including enclosures and permitting requirements.
- (6) No utility connections between a recreational vehicle and a structure are allowed.

- (7) Recreational vehicles shall not have their wheels removed or be affixed to the ground so as to prevent ready removal of the vehicle. Boats shall be stored on an approved licensed trailer at all times when not in use, except for smaller more portable watercraft, such as but not limited to, row boats, kayak, and canoes.
- (8) It shall be unlawful to occupy any recreational vehicle for residence purposes anywhere in the City except in a duly established trailer park or mobile home park maintained in accordance with the ordinances of the City, provided that occupation for residence purposes for a period of not more than three days on private residential property with the permission of the owner or lawful occupier of the property shall not be considered to be a violation of this section.
- (c) Commercial vehicle regulations:
- (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, no person shall park or leave standing any commercial vehicle on any public street or right-of-way within the City, or on any private property within a residential zone, or on any private property containing a residential use, or on any City-owned off-street parking facility within any zone.
- (d) Prohibited vehicles may be parked on public streets and right-of-ways and private property when:
- (1) Such vehicle is actively being loaded or unloaded, for a maximum of three (3) consecutive days for a recreational vehicle and for a maximum of twelve (12) consecutive hours for a commercial vehicle.
- (2) Such vehicle is parked in connection with the active performance of a service to or on a property in the block in which such vehicle is parked, for such time as is reasonably necessary to complete the permitted service.
- (e) City staff is hereby authorized to create and implement a system to issue parking waivers for short-term needs.
- (f) Application to existing vehicles:
- (1) Recreational vehicles: Owners of recreational vehicles registered to residential properties within the City as of the effective date of this ordinance may apply for a temporary street parking waiver. Applications for a temporary street parking waiver shall be submitted to the City Clerk no later than six (6) weeks after the effective date of this ordinance. Such waiver shall authorize the recreational vehicle to be parked upon the public streets and right-of-ways of the City. Such waiver shall be at no cost to the applicant, and shall expire one year from the effective date of this ordinance. Upon the expiration of the temporary street parking waiver, the recreational vehicle shall be subject to all provisions of this ordinance.
- (2) Commercial vehicles: Persons who are either residents of the City or own or operate a business within the City, and who own or operate a commercial vehicle as of the effective date of this ordinance, may apply for a temporary street/private property parking waiver. Applications for a temporary street/private property parking waiver shall be submitted to the City Clerk no later than six (6) weeks after the effective date of this ordinance. Such waiver shall authorize the commercial vehicle to be parked upon the public streets and right-of-ways of the City and/or the private residential property of the owner. Such waiver shall be at no cost to the applicant, and shall expire one year from the effective date of this ordinance. Upon the expiration of the temporary street/private property parking waiver, the commercial vehicle shall be subject to all provisions of this ordinance.

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- (3) City staff is hereby authorized to create and implement a system to verify recreational and commercial vehicle ownership and implement this temporary parking waiver system.

(Ord. Nos. 339, 454, 995)

Sec. 29-9.2. Reserved parking for exclusive use of park and facility users.

- (a) Whenever any public parking space or parking facility is assigned for the exclusive use of persons using a city park or facility and any such parking space or parking facility is posted with a sign stating parking is prohibited other than to persons using the city park or facility, a person shall not park any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon any such designated public property without the express consent of the City of Paramount.
- (b) Vehicles parked or left standing in violation of section 29-9.2(a), may be removed if signs are posted which give notice that vehicles in violation of this section will be removed.

The city manager is hereby authorized to establish procedures for the implementation of this program to issue parking citations for violation of section 29-9.2 and bail is hereby set at fifty dollars. (Ord. No. 608)

Sec. 29-9.3. Repealed by Ordinance No. 995.

Sec. 29-9.4. Five-minute passenger loading zone.

No person shall park for more than five minutes in the passenger loading zone on Contreras Street at the Adult School.

(Mun. Code, Secs. 6020, 6021, 6033; Ord. Nos. 307, 339, 454, 608, 741, 995)