

ORDINANCE NO. 2957

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AMENDING SECTION 10.56.110 AND REPEALING SECTION 10.56.115 OF CHAPTER 10.56 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GARDEN GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO OVERSIZED VEHICLE AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING

CITY ATTORNEY SUMMARY

This Ordinance revises Section 10.56.110 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code pertaining to wide vehicles and trailers and combines it with Section 10.56.115 relating to recreational vehicles into a revised Section 10.56.110 pertaining to oversized vehicles to better mitigate traffic hazards for pedestrian and vehicular safety and to eliminate any possible confusion between the current commercial and recreational vehicle regulations.

WHEREAS, the parking of oversized vehicles, including recreational vehicles, on public rights-of-way raise a number of public safety concerns, including the obstruction of access to roadways during emergency response, reduction of visibility at intersections, increased opportunities for vehicular thefts and the creation of unsafe environments for persons dwelling within and around them; and

WHEREAS, the City would like to mitigate the public safety concerns associated with the parking of oversized vehicles on the City's rights-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 10.56.110 of Chapter 10.56 of Title 10 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

§ 10.56.110 Oversized Vehicle Parking.

- A. Definitions. Unless otherwise specifically provided, the words and phrases used in this section shall have the following meanings:
1. An "Oversized Vehicle" means the following:
 - a. Any vehicle with a length in excess of 22 feet and/or width in excess of 80 inches. For purposes of determining the width of an automobile, measurements will be taken from the widest point of the vehicle in its present condition at the time of the inspection; or
 - b. A Recreational Vehicle; or
 - c. A Trailer.

2. A "Commercial Vehicle" shall have the same meaning as Vehicle Code § 260 as may be amended from time to time.
3. A "Recreational Vehicle" or "RV" means a vehicle of any size designed or modified for human habitation or for the conveyance and/or shelter of persons or goods for purposes of leisure-time activities, including a motor home, travel trailer, van, truck camper, camping trailer, boat, or off-the-road vehicle.
4. A "Trailer" means a vehicle designed for carrying persons or property on its own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no part of its weight rests upon any other vehicle.

B. Permit Required.

1. Except as provided for Commercial Vehicles below, no person shall park any Oversized Vehicle regardless of width on any public street without a permit issued by the City Manager or designee.
2. A Commercial Vehicle that is also an Oversized Vehicle may park on a street or highway only when such vehicle is parked temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading merchandise or passengers in connection with the performance of a service to the property adjacent to the curb at which such vehicle is parked.

C. Recreational Vehicles. No person shall park and leave standing on any public or private street, alley or public property any Recreational Vehicle, except pursuant to a permit issued by the City Manager or designee as provided for in this section.

D. Permits.

1. The City Manager or designee may issue 72-hour Oversized Vehicle parking permits to City residents for the sole purpose of loading and unloading before and after travel, and not to exceed 12 non-consecutive permits in any calendar year per residential address.
2. The permit shall only allow the parking of an Oversized Vehicle in front of the address of the resident applying for the permit. No more than one permit per address shall be issued at any given time.

E. Administrative Regulations. The City Manager or designee shall have the authority to promulgate administrative regulations and an

application process for the issuance of permits authorized by this section.

- F. Permit Fees. The City Council may, by resolution, establish fees to defray the costs of processing permits.

SECTION 2. Section 10.56.115 of Chapter 10.56 of Title 10 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, words or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4: The Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same, or the summary thereof, to be published and posted pursuant to the provisions of law and this Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after adoption.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove on the 10th day of September, 2024.

ATTEST: /s/ STEVE JONES
MAYOR

/s/ LIZABETH VASQUEZ
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) SS:
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE)

I, LIZABETH VASQUEZ, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading and passed to second reading on August 27, 2024, with a vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (7) BRIETIGAM, O'NEILL, DOVINH, KLOPFENSTEIN,
NGUYEN-PENALOZA, TRAN, JONES
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE

and was passed on September 10, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (6) BRIETIGAM, DOVINH, KLOPFENSTEIN,
NGUYEN-PENALOZA, TRAN, JONES

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NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (0) NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: (1) O'NEILL

/s/ LIZABETH VASQUEZ
DEPUTY CITY CLERK