

SEC. 10-1-33 REMOVAL OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES.

- (a) **Hazard to Public Safety.** Any vehicle parked, stopped or standing upon a highway or public parking lot or ramp in violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter is declared to be a hazard to traffic and public safety.
- (b) **Removal by Operator.** Such vehicle shall be removed by the operator in charge, upon request of a City law enforcement officer or the Superintendent of Public Works, to a position where parking is permitted or to a private or public parking or storage premises.
- (c) **Removal by Traffic Officer.** A City law enforcement officer or the Superintendent of Public Works, after issuing a citation for illegal parking, stopping or standing of an unattended vehicle in violation of this Chapter, is authorized to remove such vehicle to a position where parking is permitted.
- (d) **Removal by Private Service.** A City law enforcement officer or the Superintendent of Public Works may order a motor carrier holding a permit to perform vehicle towing services, a licensed motor vehicle salvage dealer or a licensed motor vehicle dealer who performs vehicle towing services to remove and store such vehicle in any public storage garage or rental parking grounds or any facility of the person providing the towing services.
- (e) **Towing and Storage Charges.** In addition to other penalties provided in this Chapter, the owner or operator of a vehicle so removed shall pay the actual cost of moving, towing and storage. If the vehicle is towed or stored by a private motor carrier, motor vehicle salvage dealer or licensed motor vehicle dealer, actual charges regularly paid for such services shall be paid. If the vehicle is stored in a public storage garage or rental facility, customary charges for such storage shall be paid. Upon payment, a receipt shall be issued to the owner of the vehicle for the towing or storage charge.

SEC. 10-1-34 INOPERABLE, WRECKED OR DISCARDED VEHICLES.

- (a) **Storage Prohibited.** No person owning or having custody of any partially dismantled, inoperable, wrecked, junked or discarded motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to remain on any public highway, parking lot or ramp longer than forty-eight (48) hours after notification thereof by the Police Department. Notification shall be accomplished by placing in a conspicuous place on the vehicle and by mailing or serving upon the owner or occupant in charge of the premises a written notice setting forth briefly the applicable provisions of this Section and the date of the notice. Any vehicle so tagged which is not removed within forty-eight hours after notice is declared to be a public nuisance and may be removed as provided in Section 10-1-33.
- (b) **Exemptions.** This Section shall not apply to a motor vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner authorized by the City.

SEC. 10-1-35 THROUGH SEC. 10-1-39 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE.