

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-35

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE VII TRAFFIC CODE, GENERAL PROVISIONS – SNOW PLOW ALERT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES OR SECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Wayne, Nebraska:

Section 1. That Title VII Traffic Code, the section title Snow Plow Alert is hereby amended to read as follows:

SNOW ~~PLOW ALERT~~ EMERGENCY

§ 78-281 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR or ***DESIGNATE***. The person authorized by the Council to enforce this subchapter.

ROADWAY. The portion of a street or highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the berm or shoulder.
(2002 Code, § 78-281) (Ord. 2004-3, passed 4-13-2004)

§ 78-282 PARKING ON CITY STREETS.

(A) Whenever the City Administrator or designate finds, on the basis of falling snow, sleet or freezing rain, or on the basis of a forecast by a weather service, of snow, sleet or freezing rain, that weather conditions will make it necessary that motor vehicle traffic be expedited and that parking on city streets be prohibited or restricted for snow plowing and other purposes, the City Administrator or designate shall put into effect the parking prohibition on all city streets as necessary by declaring a snow ~~plow alert~~ or **winter** weather emergency.

(B) Once in effect, a prohibition under this section shall remain in effect until terminated by announcement of the City Administrator or designate in accordance with this subchapter. While the prohibition is in effect, no person shall park or allow to remain parked any vehicle on any portion of a city street to which it applies. This prohibition shall remain in effect for the duration of the storm and/or until removed.
(2002 Code, § 78-282) (Ord. 2004-3, passed 4-13-2004; Ord. 2008-4, passed 3-4-2008)

§ 78-283 STALLED VEHICLE ON CITY STREET.

Whenever a vehicle becomes stalled for any reason, whether or not in violation of this subchapter, or on any part of a city street on which there is a covering of snow, sleet or ice, upon which there is a parking prohibition in effect, the person operating such vehicle shall take immediate action to have the vehicle towed or pushed off the roadway of such street, or onto the public space portion of a nearby driveway. No person shall abandon or leave his or her vehicle in the roadway of a street, except for the purpose of securing assistance during the actual time necessary to go to a place of assistance and return without delay.

(2002 Code, § 78-283)

§ 78-284 DECLARATIONS OF DIRECTOR.

The City Administrator or designate shall cause each declaration by him or her pursuant to this subchapter to be publicly announced by means of broadcast or telecast, from stations with a normal operating range covering the city or by cable television; and he or she may cause such declaration to be further announced in the newspapers of general circulation when feasible. Each announcement shall describe the action taken by the City Administrator or designate, including the time it became or will become effective, and shall specify the streets or areas affected. A parking prohibition declared by the City Administrator or designate shall not go into effect until at least three hours after it has been announced, at least five times, between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., in accordance with this section.

(2002 Code, § 78-284) (Ord. 2004-3, passed 4-13-2004)

§ 78-285 TERMINATION OF PARKING PROHIBITION BY THE DIRECTOR.

Whenever the City Administrator or designate shall find that some or all of the conditions which give rise to a parking prohibition in effect pursuant to this subchapter no longer exists, he or she may declare the prohibition terminated, in whole or in part, in a manner prescribed by this subchapter, effective immediately upon announcement.

(2002 Code, § 78-285)

PROVISIONS TEMPORARILY EFFECTIVE TO TAKE PRECEDENCE.

Any provision of this subchapter which becomes effective by declaration of the City Administrator or designate or upon the occurrence of certain weather conditions shall, while temporarily in effect, take precedence over other conflicting provisions or law normally in effect; except that, it shall not take precedence over provisions of law relating to traffic accidents, emergency travel of authorized emergency vehicles or emergency traffic directions by a police officer.

(2002 Code, § 78-286)

§ 78-287 REMOVAL, IMPOUNDING, RETURN OF VEHICLES.

(A) City employees are authorized to remove or have removed a vehicle from a street to the nearest garage or other place of safety, including another place on a street, or to a garage designated or maintained by the Police Department when:

(1) The vehicle is parked on a part of a street on which a parking prohibition is in effect pursuant to this subchapter;

(2) The vehicle is stalled on a part of a street on which there is a covering of snow, sleet or ice on which there is a parking prohibition in effect pursuant to this subchapter and the person who was operating such vehicle does not appear to be removing it in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter; or

(3) The vehicle is parked in violation of any parking ordinance or provisions of law and is interfering or about to interfere with snow removal operations.

(B) Whenever an officer or employee removes or has removed a vehicle from a street as authorized in this section and the officer knows or is able to ascertain from the registration records in the vehicle the name and address of the owner, such officer shall give or cause to be given notice to such owner of the fact of such removal and the reasons for removal and of the place to which such vehicle has been removed.

(C) No person shall recover any vehicle removed in accordance with this section, except as provided in this division (C). Before the owner or person in charge of such vehicle shall be allowed to recover it from the place where it has been placed or impounded, he or she shall present to a member of the Police Department evidence of his or her identity and right to possession of the vehicle, and shall sign a receipt for its return, shall pay the cost of impound, shall pay any cost of storage accrued and shall pay any issued and outstanding parking ticket.

(D) It shall be the duty of the Police Department to keep a record of each vehicle removed in accordance with this section. The records shall include:

- (1) A description of the vehicle;
- (2) Its license number;
- (3) The date and time of its removal;
- (4) Where it was removed from;
- (5) Its location;
- (6) The name and address of its owner and last operator, if known;
- (7) Its final disposition; and
- (8) The parking violation involved.

(E) This section shall be supplemental to any other provisions of law granting members of the Police Department authority to remove vehicles.
(2002 Code, § 78-287) (Ord. 2004-3, passed 4-13-2004)

Section 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after the passage, approval, and publication or posting as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of January, 2019.

THE CITY OF WAYNE, NEBRASKA,

By _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk