

ORDINANCE NO. 4743

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BEAVERTON CITY CODE CHAPTER 6.02 RELATING TO VEHICLE CAMPING

Whereas, the City of Beaverton has seen an increase in the number of people experiencing homelessness;

Whereas, the City seeks to launch a pilot project to provide a Safe Parking program;

Whereas, the City would like to modify the existing language in the City Code to create a narrow exception for properties to participate in the Safe Parking program.

Now, therefore,

THE CITY OF BEAVERTON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Beaverton Code Chapter 6.02 is amended to include 6.02.322:

V. PARKING REGULATIONS

6.02.322 Definitions for BC 6.02.323 to 6.02.324.

As used in BC 6.02.323 and 6.02.324:

Camp – Set up, or remain in a vehicle, for the purpose of establishing or maintaining a temporary place to live.

Commercial structure – A building in which the predominant activity is connected with the sale, rental, or distribution of, or performance of services to, end users of products or services.

Commercial parking lot – A parking lot adjacent to a commercial structure, or a lot if not adjacent then within the control of the commercial interest occupying the structure, which lot is privately owned but open to the public.

Person in charge- A person, a representative or employee of the person who has lawful control of premises by ownership, tenancy, official position or other legal relationship.

Sanitary facilities – Include, but are not limited to, toilet, hand washing, and trash disposal facilities.

Vehicle – A trailer house, camp trailer, mobile home, auto home, camp car, recreational vehicle, or similar conveyance.

Section 2. Beaverton Code Chapter 6.02.323 is amended to read as follows:

6.02.323 Prohibited Vehicle Camping.

A. Except as authorized by BC 6.02.324, a person shall not camp in a commercial parking lot.

B. A person in charge of a commercial structure or parking lot who believes that it is more likely than not that a person is camping in violation of this section shall do all of the following:

1. Make a reasonable effort under the circumstances to locate the operator of the offending vehicle; and
2. Make a reasonable effort under the circumstances to request that the person cease the offending conduct.

C. A person in charge of a commercial structure or parking lot who fails to follow the sequence of events listed in subsection (B) of this section commits a Class 2 Civil Infraction.

Section 3. Beaverton Code Chapter 6.02 is amended to include 6.02.324:

6.02.324 Permitted Vehicle Camping.

A. A property owner may allow a person to camp in a commercial parking lot if (1) expressly authorized by the Mayor under a program administered by the Mayor and established by Council resolution, and (2) the property owner complies with the requirements outlined in subsection B.

B. Each property owner described in subsection A shall:

1. Permit the designated program manager to enter the commercial parking lot. The designated program manager is responsible for the intake, placement, and case management of the persons camping in a commercial parking lot.
2. Permit sanitary facilities to be placed at the commercial parking lot for persons camping in a commercial parking lot.
3. Permit a storage container to be placed on the commercial parking lot for persons camping to store personal items such that the items are not visible from any public right of way.
4. Not require any payment from persons camping in a commercial parking lot.

C. A property owner described in subsection A may establish additional regulations for use of its commercial parking lot. A property owner may revoke permission for a person to camp in a commercial parking lot at any time if the person violates a property owner's regulations.

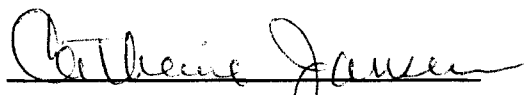
D. A property owner described in subsection A who does not comply with this ordinance commits a Class 2 Civil Infraction.

First reading this 2nd day of October, 2018.

Second reading and passage by this Council this 9th day of October, 2018.

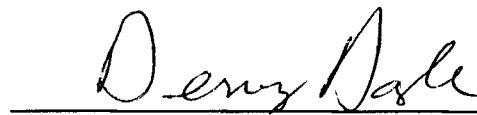
Approved by the Mayor this 10th day of October, 2018.

ATTEST:



CATHERINE JANSEN, City Recorder

APPROVED:



DENNY DOYLE, Mayor