ORDINANCE NO. 2019-8

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CHARTERED CITY OF VISTA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTERS 10.12, 10.20, 10.32, 10.36 AND 10.40 IN THE VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC TITLE OF THE VISTA MUNICIPAL CODE

The City Council of the City of Vista does ordain as follows:

1. **Findings.** The City Council hereby finds and declares all of the following:

   The City Council desires to amend Chapters 10.12, 10.20, 10.32, 10.36 and 10.40 in the Vehilces and Traffic Title of the Vista Municipal Code.

2. **Code Amendment.** Chapters 10.12, 10.20, 10.32, 10.36 and 10.40 in the Vehicles and Traffic Title of the Vista Municipal Code are amended to add the underscored text and to delete the strike-out text as shown in Exhibit ‘A’ attached to this Ordinance.

3. **Severability.** If any word, sentence, paragraph, or other portion of this ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, the City Council declares its intent that all remaining words, sentences, paragraphs or portions of the ordinance not held to be invalid or unenforceable shall remain in full force and effect, and shall, be so construed, as if the original ordinance did not contain the invalid or unenforceable language.

4. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective on the thirty-first day following the date of its adoption.

5. **Adoption.** INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the City Council held on May 28, 2019 by the following vote:

   AYES: Mayor Ritter, Rigby, Franklin, Green, Contreras

   NOES: None

   ABSTAIN: None

   

   JUDY RITTER, Mayor

   

   APPROVED AS TO FORM: Darold Pieper, City Attorney

   ATTEST: Kathy Valdez, City Clerk

   By: Approved
   

   Jonathan B. Stone
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   By: Kathy Valdez
Chapter 10.12

Traffic-Control Devices

Sections:

10.12.010 Authority to Install Devices
10.12.020 Signs Required for Enforcement Purposes
10.12.030 Obedience to Traffic-Control Devices
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10.12.130 Obstruction of Visibility at Intersections

Section 10.12.010 Authority to Install Devices

A. The City Traffic Engineer shall have the power and duty to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained official traffic-control devices in accordance with this Chapter and as required by resolution of the City Council to make effective the provisions of this title.

B. Whenever the Vehicle Code requires, for the effectiveness of any provision thereof, that traffic-control devices be installed to give notice to the public of the application of such law, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to install or cause to be installed the necessary devices subject to any limitations or restrictions set forth in the law applicable thereto.

C. The City Traffic Engineer may also place and maintain or cause to place and maintain such additional traffic-control devices as he may deem necessary or proper to regulate traffic or to guide or warn traffic, but he shall make such determination only upon the basis of traffic engineering principles and traffic investigations and in accordance with such standards, limitations, and rules as may be set forth in this title and as may be determined by ordinance or resolution of the City Council.

(Prior Code 18-14; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.12.020 Signs Required for Enforcement Purposes

No provision of the Vehicle Code or of this title for which signs are required shall be enforced against an alleged violator unless appropriate legible signs are in place giving notice of such provisions of the traffic laws.

(Prior Code 18-15; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.12.030 Obedience to Traffic-Control Devices

The operator of any vehicle or train shall obey the instructions of any official traffic-control device placed in accordance with this title unless otherwise directed by a police officer or other authorized person, subject to the exceptions granted the operator of an authorized emergency vehicle when responding to emergency calls.
Section 10.12.040  Installation of Traffic Signals

A. The City Traffic Engineer is directed to install, subject to City Council approval, and maintain official traffic signals at those intersections and other places where traffic conditions are such as to require that the flow of traffic be alternately interrupted and released in order to prevent or relieve traffic congestion or to protect life or property from exceptional hazard.

B. The City Traffic Engineer shall ascertain and determine the locations where such signals are recommended by field investigation, traffic counts and other traffic information as may be pertinent and therefrom his determinations shall be made in accordance with those traffic engineering and safety standards and instructions set forth in the California Maintenance Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices issued by the Division of Highways of the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

C. Whenever the City Traffic Engineer installs and maintains an official traffic signal at any intersection, he shall likewise erect and maintain at such intersection street name signs clearly visible to traffic approaching from all directions unless such street name signs have previously been placed and are maintained at any such intersection.

Section 10.12.050  Lane Marking

The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to mark center lines and lane lines upon the surface of the roadway to indicate the course to be traveled by vehicles and may place signs temporarily designating lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular direction, regardless of the center line of the highway.

Section 10.12.060  Distinctive Roadway Markings

The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to place and maintain distinctive roadway markings as described in the Vehicle Code on those streets or parts of streets where the volume of traffic or the vertical or other curvature of the roadway renders it hazardous to drive on the left side of such marking or signs and markings. Such marking or signs and markings have the same effect as similar markings placed by the State Department of Public Works pursuant to provisions of the Vehicle Code.

Section 10.12.070  Removal, Relocation and Discontinuance of Devices

The City Traffic Engineer, subject to City Council approval by resolution or ordinance, is authorized to remove, relocate or discontinue the operation of any traffic-control device, other than traffic signals and stop signs, the removal of which requires a City Council Resolution, not specifically required by the Vehicle Code or this title whenever he determines in any particular case that the conditions which warranted or required the installation no longer exist or obtain.

Section 10.12.080  Hours of Operation

The City Traffic Engineer shall determine the hours and days during which any traffic-control device is in operation or is in effect, except in those cases where such hours or days are specified in this title or otherwise determined by resolution of the City Council.
Section 10.12.090 Unauthorized Painting of Curbs

Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to place official traffic-control devices within or adjacent to intersections and indicating the course to be traveled by vehicles turning at such intersections, and the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to locate and indicate more than one lane of traffic from which drivers of vehicles may make right or left turns, and the course to be traveled as so indicated may conform to or be other than as prescribed by law or ordinance.

(Prior Code 18-23; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.12.100 Placement of Turning Markers

Section 10.12.110 Placement of Restricted Turn Signs

Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine those intersections at which drivers of vehicles shall not make a right and/or, left turn, or “U” turn. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine intersections and roadway segments where drivers of vehicles shall not make U-turns and The City Traffic Engineer shall place proper signs at such intersections and roadway segments. The making of such turns may be prohibited between certain hours of any day and permitted at other hours, in which event the same shall be plainly indicated on the signs or they may be removed when such turns are permitted.

(Prior Code 18-24; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.12.120 Signal Controlled Intersections - Right Turns

A. No driver of a vehicle shall make a right turn against a red or stop signal at any intersection which is sign-posted giving notice of such restriction, as provided in Subsection B of this section.

B. The City Traffic Engineer shall post appropriate signs giving effect to this section where he determines that the making of right turns against a traffic signal’s “stop” indication would seriously interfere with the safe and orderly flow of traffic.

(Prior Code 18-25; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.12.130 Obstruction of Visibility at Intersections

Whenever the City Traffic Engineer finds that any hedge, shrubbery, tree or any other structure or object obstructs the view of any intersection, or any traffic upon the streets approaching such intersection, he shall cause the hedge, shrubbery, tree or other structure or object to be immediately removed or reduced in height or width.

(Prior Code 18-71; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)
Chapter 10.20

Special Stops Required

Sections:

10.20.010 Placement of Stop Signs
10.20.020 Applicable Streets or Intersections
10.20.0320 Emerging from Alley, Driveway or Building

Section 10.20.010 Placement of Stop Signs

Whenever any ordinance or resolution of this City designates and describes any street or portion thereof as a through street, or any intersection at which vehicles are required to stop at one or more entrances thereto, or any railroad grade crossing at which vehicles are required to stop, the city traffic engineer shall erect and maintain stop signs as follows:

A stop sign shall be erected on each and every street intersecting such through street or portion thereof so designated and at those entrances to other intersections where a stop is required and at any railroad grade crossing so designated; provided, however, stop signs shall not be erected or maintained at any entrance to an intersection when such entrance is controlled by an official traffic-control signal. Every such sign shall conform with, and shall be placed as provided in, the Vehicle Code.

The City Traffic Engineer, subject to City Council approval by resolution or ordinance, may erect and maintain stop signs at any intersection or location.

(Prior Code 18-27; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.20.020 Applicable Streets or Intersections

A. Those streets and parts of streets established by resolution of the City Council are declared to be through streets for the purposes of this section.

B. The provisions of this section also apply at one or more entrances to the intersections as such entrances and intersections are established by resolution of the City Council.

C. The provisions of this section apply at those highway railway grade crossings as established by resolution of the City Council.

(Prior Code 18-28; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.20.0320 Emerging from Alley, Driveway or Building

The driver of a vehicle emerging from an alley, driveway or building shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto a sidewalk or into the sidewalk area extending across any alleyway or driveway.

(Prior Code 18-29; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)
Chapter 10.32
Stopping, Standing, and Parking Generally

Sections:

10.32.010 Application of Regulations
10.32.020 Stopping or Standing in Parkways Prohibited
10.32.030 Maintenance of No Stopping Zones and No Parking Areas
10.32.040 No Parking Areas
10.32.050 Storage of Vehicles on Streets Prohibited
10.32.055 Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Non-motorized Vehicles on Public Streets
10.32.060 Authority to Remove Vehicles for Sale
10.32.070 Repairing Vehicles on Public Streets
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10.32.090 Washing or Polishing Vehicles
10.32.100 Parking Adjacent to Schools
10.32.110 Parking Prohibited on Narrow Streets
10.32.120 Parking on Grades
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10.32.140 Emergency Parking Signs
10.32.150 Permitted Parking in Prohibited Areas
10.32.160 Civil Penalties; Administrative Fees

Section 10.32.010 Application of Regulations

A. The provisions of this title prohibiting the stopping, standing or parking of a vehicle apply at all times or at those times specified in this chapter, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or official traffic-control device.

B. The provisions of this title imposing a time limit on standing or parking do not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the Vehicle Code or the ordinances of this City prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.

(Prior Code 18-39; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.020 Stopping or Standing in Parkways Prohibited

No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle within any parkway.

(Prior Code 18-40; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.030 Maintenance of No Stopping Zones and No Parking Areas

A. Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the Traffic Engineer is authorized to maintain, by appropriate signs or by paint upon the curb surface, all no stopping zones, no parking areas, and restricted parking areas, as defined and described in this title.

B. When such curb markings or signs are in place no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand, or park such vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking or sign in violation of any of the provisions of this title.

(Prior Code 18-41; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)
Section 10.32.040 No Parking Areas

No operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand, park, or leave standing such vehicle in any of the following places, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or other authorized officer, or traffic sign or signal:

A. Within any divisional island unless authorized and clearly indicated with appropriate signs or markings.
B. On either side of any street between the projected property lines of any public walk, public steps, street, or thoroughfare terminating at such street, when such area is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface.
C. In any area established by resolution of the City Council as a no parking area, when such area is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface.
D. Upon, along, or across any railway track, in such manner as to hinder, delay, or obstruct the movement of any rail car traveling upon such track.
E. On any street or highway where the use of such street or highway or a portion thereof is necessary for the cleaning, repair or construction of the street or highway or the installation of underground utilities or where the use of the street or highway or any portion thereof is authorized for a purpose other than the normal flow of traffic or where the use of the street or highway or any portion thereof is necessary for the movement of equipment, articles or structures of unusual size, and the parking of such vehicle would prohibit or interfere with such use or movement; provided, that signs giving notice of such prohibited parking are erected or placed at least 24-48 hours prior to the effective time of such prohibited parking.
F. At any place within 20 feet of a point on the curb immediately opposite the mid-block end of a safety zone, when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface.
G. At any place within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection (in the central traffic district or) in any business district when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface except that a bus may stop at a designated bus stop.
H. Within 20 feet of the approach to any traffic signal, boulevard stop sign, or official electric flashing device, when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface.
I. Upon any street within any business or residence district unless not less than eight feet of the width of the paved or improved or main traveled portion of the directional traffic lane adjoining such stopped, standing or parked vehicle is left clear and unobstructed for the free passage of other vehicles.
J. At any place within 20-100 feet of a street intersection or a driveway serving a multifamily, commercial, or industrial establishment, when determined by the City Traffic Engineer to be necessary to provide adequate sight distance or for the safe and efficient movement of traffic and when such place is indicated by appropriate signs or by red paint upon the curb surface.
K. Along any street, or portion thereof, which has been determined by the City Manager or his/her designee to be necessary to perform street sweeping and when the City Traffic Engineer-Director of Public Works or designee has designated such parking restriction by placement of appropriate signs giving notice of the day or days and hours of the parking restriction.

The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to erect and maintain signs or markings indicating these no parking areas if he determines a recurring pattern of violations at a specific location and that signs and markings will assist with enforcement of the regulations.

(Prior Code 18-42; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70; Ord. No. 76-50, Amended, 11/22/76; Ord. 86-10, Amended, 3/11/86; Ord. No. 86-34, Amended, 7/8/86)
Section 10.32.050  Storage of Vehicles on Streets Prohibited

A. No person who owns or has possession, custody, or control of any vehicle shall park such vehicle upon any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of 72 hours. For the purpose of this section, a vehicle shall be deemed to be left standing when such vehicle has not been moved more than one-tenth of a mile (528 feet) under its own power (for motor vehicles) from its original stopped position.

B. Use during nighttime hours:
   1. The City Traffic Engineer has authority to prohibit or restrict the parking or standing of vehicles on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., to be designated by resolution.
   2. The resolution relating to parking between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. may provide for a system of permits for the purpose of exempting, from the prohibition or restriction of the resolution, handicapped persons and residents of high-density multiple-family dwelling areas or similar areas lacking adequate off-street parking facilities.

C. The City Traffic Engineer has authority to prohibit or restrict any vehicle which is six feet or more in height (including any load thereon) from parking within one hundred feet of any intersection, during all hours of the day.

D. The City Traffic Engineer has authority to prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking or standing of vehicles on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during certain hours of the day, the hours and streets to be designated in an accompanying resolution.

E. No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any commercial semi-trailer or commercial trailer shall park such trailer on any highway, street or alley within the city limits unless such semi-trailer or trailer is, at all times while so parked, attached to a truck or tractor capable of moving such trailer or semi-trailer in a normal manner upon the public streets and highways.

F. No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of a non-commercial trailer, shall park such vehicle, unattached upon any street or alley, except for the purpose of loading or unloading and for no more than a consecutive period of 24 hours.

(Prior Code 18-43; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70; Ord. No. 81-81, Amended, 12/28/81; Ord. No. 84-15, Amended, 3/26/84; Ord. No. 84-48, Amended 11/13/84; Ord. No. 89-34, Amended, 9/11/89; Ord. No. 2001-7, Amended, 04/09/01)

Section 10.32.055  Parking of Oversized Vehicles and Non-motorized Vehicles on Public Streets

A. Prohibition. Subject to the exceptions set forth in Subsection D, no person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any oversized vehicle or non-motorized vehicle not attached to a motor vehicle, as defined by the California Vehicle Code, shall park or leave standing on any public street or alley.

B. Oversized Vehicle Defined. For the purpose of this section, “oversized vehicle” shall mean any single vehicle or combination of said vehicle which exceeds 24 feet in length; 11 feet in height; or nine feet in width, or any single vehicle or combination of said vehicles having a manufacturer’s gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more. In determining the width or length of the vehicles defined in this section, any extension to the vehicle caused by mirrors, air conditioners, or similar attachments shall not be included.

C. Non-motorized Vehicle Defined. For the purpose of this section, “non-motorized vehicle” shall mean any trailer or any other similar device which is not self-propelled.

D. Exceptions. The prohibition set forth in Subsection A, shall not apply to the following:
1. To any oversized vehicle parked for a period not to exceed 24 hours on a local street in an area zoned industrial. A “local street” for the purpose of this section shall mean any street with a curb-to-curb width of 40 feet or less and not designated as an arterial or collector street in the Circulation Element of the General Plan. For the purpose of this section, an oversized vehicle, or non-motorized vehicle which is attached to a motor vehicle, shall be deemed to be parked when such vehicle has not been moved more than one-quarter of a mile (1,320 feet) under its own power (for motorized vehicles) from its initial parked position.

2. To any oversized vehicle or non-motorized vehicle parked while the owner or operator of the vehicle is in the process of making emergency repairs to such vehicle. The owner or operator shall have all emergency repairs to the vehicle completed within 24 hours or have the inoperable vehicle removed from the street.

31. To oversized vehicles parked while engaged in loading and unloading activity for a period not to exceed 24 hours.

42. To any oversized vehicle displaying authorized placards or license plates identifying the physically handicapped or disabled person pursuant to the California Vehicle Code.

5. To any oversized vehicle or non-motorized vehicle attached to a motor vehicle parked on any street, other than a residential street, for a period not to exceed four hours in any 24-hour period. For the purpose of this section, an oversized vehicle, or non-motorized vehicle which is attached to a motor vehicle, shall be deemed to be parked when such vehicle has not been moved more than one-quarter of a mile (1,320 feet) under its own power (for motorized vehicles) from its initial parked position.

63. To any oversized recreational vehicle displaying a valid permit issued pursuant to Section 10.34.020 of this code.

(Ord. No. 2004-13, Added, 12/14/04)

Section 10.32.060 Authority to Remove Vehicles for Sale

A. Purpose. The City Council of the City of Vista finds that the display of vehicles for sale on public streets creates a distraction for drivers and pedestrians, thereby creating a traffic hazard; creates a public nuisance for the community; and decreases the available parking for businesses and residents. The purpose of this section is to prohibit the use of designated public streets for the private sale of vehicles when such activity adversely affects the neighborhoods in the city of Vista.

B. The term “designated streets” shall mean all public streets of the city of Vista. Enforcement of the prohibition shall not take effect until signs prohibiting the parking of vehicles for sale have been installed.

C. Unlawful to Park a Vehicle on Public Street Displaying it for Sale. It is unlawful to park a vehicle on a designated public street pursuant to Section 10.32.060 when, because of a sign or placard on the vehicle, it appears that the primary purpose of parking the vehicle at that location is to display to the public that the vehicle is for sale.

D. A notice of parking violation for Section 10.32.060 must be accompanied by:

1. A warning that an additional violation of Section 10.32.060.C may result in the impoundment of the vehicle, even if the vehicle is moved to another public street designated under this section, so long as the sign or placard offering the vehicle for sale remains on the vehicle.

2. A list of the public streets subject to this section.

E. Removal of Vehicles Displayed for Sale. City employees or agents, as authorized by Vehicle Code Section 22651.9, may order the removal of any vehicle from any designated street when, because of a sign or placard on the vehicle, it appears that the primary purpose of parking the vehicle at that location, or on another designated street, is to display to the public that
the vehicle is for sale, and when the vehicle has previously been issued a notice of parking violation under this section within the last 30 days, but not less than 24 hours.

F. Procedure and criteria for designating streets.
   1. The procedure and criteria for designating a street under this section shall be established per City Council Policy.
   2. The City Manager shall have the sole authority to approve or disapprove designating streets. In the event the City Manager approves designating a street, appropriate signs shall be posted giving notice thereof.
   3. The prohibition shall be effective 30 days from the date of the installation of the signs.

(Prior Code 18-44; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70; Ord. No. 2009-25, Amended, 12/8/09)

Section 10.32.070 Repairing Vehicles on Public Streets

No persons shall construct or cause to be constructed, repair or cause to be repaired, grease or cause to be greased, dismantle or cause to be dismantled, any vehicle or any part thereof upon any public street in this city. —Temporary emergency repairs may be made upon a public street.—

(Prior Code 18-45; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.080 Vehicle Repair Prohibited in Residential Zones—Exception

A. No person shall repair, assemble, disassemble or dismantle any motor vehicle upon any portion of a lot or parcel of land within any residential zone of the city unless such vehicle is contained either:
   1. Within an enclosed garage located on the lot or parcel of land on which the vehicle is located.
   2. On the rear one-third of the lot or parcel of land on which the vehicle is located; provided that such vehicle is screened from public view by six-foot fencing approved by the City Manager or his designee. Such vehicle shall not be stored within five feet of any adjoining property line.

B. This section does not apply to minor emergency repairs which can be completed within a 24 hour period.

(Prior Code 18-45; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.090 Washing or Polishing Vehicles

No person shall wash or cause to be washed, polish or cause to be polished any vehicle or any part thereof upon any public street in this city, when a charge is made for such service.

(Prior Code 18-46; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.100 Parking Adjacent to Schools

A. Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon that side of any street adjacent to any school property when such parking would, in his opinion, interfere with traffic or create a hazardous situation.

B. When official signs are erected prohibiting parking upon that side of a street adjacent to any school property, no person shall park a vehicle in any such designated place.

(Prior Code 18-47; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)
Section 10.32.110 Parking Prohibited on Narrow Streets

A. Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to place signs or markings indicating no parking upon any street when the width of the roadway does not exceed 20 feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs or markings when the width of the roadway does not exceed 30 feet.

B. When official signs or markings prohibiting parking are erected upon narrow streets as authorized in Subsection A of this section, no person shall park a vehicle upon any such street in violation of any such sign or marking.

(Prior Code 18-48; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.120 Parking on Grades

No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle unattended on a street when upon any grade exceeding three percent, within any business or residence district, without blocking the wheels of such vehicle by turning them against the curb or by other means.

(Prior Code 18-49; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70)

Section 10.32.130 Parking for Commercial Purposes Prohibited - Exceptions

A. Except as otherwise provided in Chapters 5.52 and 8.24 of this code and in this section, no person shall stand or park any vehicle, wagon, or pushcart from which goods, wares, merchandise, fruits, vegetables or foodstuffs are sold, displayed, solicited or offered for sale or bartered or exchanged, or any lunch wagon or eating cart or vehicle, on any portion of any street within this city except that such vehicles, wagons, or pushcarts may stand or park only at the request of a prospective purchaser for a period of time not to exceed ten minutes at any one place. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to persons delivering such articles upon order of or by agreement with a customer from a store or other fixed place of business or distribution.

B. No person shall park or stand on any street, any wagon, eating cart or vehicle, or pushcart from which articles of food are sold or offered for sale without first obtaining a written permit to do so from the City Council which shall designate the specific location in which such wagon or cart shall stand or the permits required by Chapters 5.52 and 8.24 of this code.

C. Whenever any permit is granted under the provisions of this section and a particular location to park or stand is specified therein, no person shall park or stand any vehicle, wagon, or pushcart on any location other than as designated in such permit. In the event that the holder of any such permit is convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction for violating any of the provisions of this section, such permit shall be forthwith revoked by the City Council and no permit shall thereafter be issued to such person until six months have elapsed from the day of such revocation.

D. No person shall operate a prepared food vending vehicle in violation of any parking condition of the City permit issued therefore pursuant to Chapters 5.52 and 8.24 of this code.

(Prior Code 18-50; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted, 5/4/70; Ord. No. 86-42, Amended, 8/26/86)

Section 10.32.140 Emergency Parking Signs

A. Whenever the City Traffic Engineer determines that an emergency traffic congestion is likely to result from the holding of public or private assemblages, gatherings or functions, or for other reasons, the City Traffic Engineer shall have power and authority to order temporary signs to be erected or posted indicating that the operation, parking or standing of
vehicles is prohibited on such streets and alleys as the City Traffic Engineer shall direct during
Chapter 10.36
Parking, Standing and Stopping on Streets and Public Property; Operation of Vehicles on Private Property

Sections:

10.36.010 Twenty-Four Fifteen Minute and Thirty Minute Parking
10.36.020 One Hour Parking
10.36.030 Two Hour Parking
10.36.040 Parking Parallel on One-Way Streets
10.36.050 Diagonal Parking
10.36.060 Parking Space Markings
10.36.070 No Stopping Zones
10.36.080 Parking Vehicles in Residential Areas
10.36.090 Parking on City Property
10.36.100 Operating Vehicles on Private or Public Property

Section 10.36.010 Twenty-Four Fifteen Minute and Thirty Minute Parking

A. Green curb marking means no standing or parking for a period of time longer than 24 minutes that is either fifteen minutes or thirty minutes as specified by signs or curb marking stencils at any time between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sundays and holidays.

B. When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the City Council to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park such vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb markings or sign or parking meter in violation thereof.

(Prior Code 18-52; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.020 One Hour Parking

When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the City Council to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park such vehicle between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays for a period of time longer than one hour.

(Prior Code 18-53; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.030 Two Hour Parking

When authorized signs, parking meters or curb markings have been determined by the City Council to be necessary and are in place giving notice thereof, no operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park such vehicle between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays, or between such other hours as provided by resolution, for a period of time longer than two hours.

(Prior Code 18-54; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70; Ord. No. 2005-3, Amended, 2/22/05)

Section 10.36.040 Parking Parallel on One-Way Streets

A. Subject to other and more restrictive limitations, a vehicle may be stopped or parked within 18 inches of the left-hand curb facing in the direction of traffic movement upon a one-way street unless signs are in place prohibiting such stopping or standing.
B. In the event a highway includes two or more separate roadways and traffic is restricted to one direction upon any such roadway, no person shall stand or park a vehicle upon the left-hand side of such one-way roadway unless signs are in place permitting such standing or parking.

C. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine when standing or parking shall be prohibited upon the left-hand side of any one-way street or when standing or parking may be permitted upon the left-hand side of any one-way roadway of a highway having two or more separate roadways and shall erect signs giving notice thereof.

D. The requirement of parallel parking imposed by this section do not apply in the event any commercial vehicle is actually engaged in the process of loading or unloading freight or goods, in which case such vehicle may be backed up to the curb; provided, that such vehicle does not extend beyond the center line of the street and does not block traffic thereby.

(Prior Code 18-55; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.050 Diagonal Parking

A. On any of the streets or portions of streets designated for established by resolution of the City Council diagonal parking zones, by placement of when signs or pavement markings, are in place indicating such diagonal parking, it is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to park such vehicle except:

1. At the angle to the curb indicated by signs or pavement markings allotting space to parked vehicles and entirely within the limits of said allotted space.

2. With the front wheel nearest the curb within six inches of said curb.

B. The provisions of this section do not apply when such vehicle is actually engaged in the process of loading or unloading passengers, freight or goods, in which event the provisions applicable in Section 10.36.040 of this chapter shall be complied with.

(Prior Code 18-56; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.060 Parking Space Markings

A. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to install and maintain parking space markings to indicate parking spaces adjacent to curbing where authorized parking is permitted.

B. When such parking space markings are placed on the highway, subject to other and more restrictive limitations, no vehicle shall be stopped, left standing or parked other than within a single space unless the size or shape of such vehicle makes compliance impossible.

(Prior Code 18-57; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.070 No Stopping Zones

A. The City Traffic Engineer shall designate established no stopping zones by placing and maintaining appropriate signs indicating that stopping of vehicles is prohibited and indicating the hours and days when stopping is prohibited.

B. During the hours and on the days designated on the signs, it is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to stop such vehicle on any of the streets or parts of streets established by resolution of the City Council as no stopping zones.

(Prior Code 18-58; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.36.080 Parking Vehicles in Residential Areas

A. No person shall park a commercial vehicle having a manufacturer's gross vehicle
weight rating of 10,000 pounds or more in a residential area, except:

1. While making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted streets or highways and for no more than a consecutive period of 4 hours; or

2. While delivering materials to be used in the actual or bona fide repair, alteration, remodeling or construction of any building or structure upon the restricted streets or highways for which a building permit has previously been obtained and for no more than a consecutive period of 4 hours.

B. For the purpose of this section, a “residential area” means all areas located within a residential zone, including public and private streets and private property, and any other area for which the utilization of the surrounding land is primarily residential.

(Prior Code 18-59; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70; Ord. No. 84-14, Amended 4/9/84; Ord. No. 84-47, Amended 11/13/84; Ord. No. 89-33, Amended 11/27/89)

Section 10.36.090 Parking on City Property

A. Whenever the City Traffic Engineer shall determine that the orderly, efficient conduct of the City’s business requires that parking or standing of vehicles on City property be prohibited, limited or restricted the City Traffic Engineer shall have the power and authority to order signs to be erected or posted indicating that the parking of vehicles is thus prohibited, limited or restricted.

B. When signs authorized by the provisions of this section are in place, giving notice thereof, no person shall park or stand any vehicle contrary to the directions or provisions of such signs.

C. Officers of the Sheriff’s Department and Code Enforcement personnel for the City are authorized to cause the removal of vehicles parked in violation of this section. Before any vehicle is removed pursuant to this section, a sign notifying the public of the parking restriction and the possible removal of vehicles shall be posted for a minimum of 48 hours.

(Prior Code 18-60; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70; Ord. No. 2013-18, Amended, 8/27/13)

Section 10.36.100 Operating Vehicles on Private or Public Property

No persons shall operate or drive a motor vehicle, motorcycle, mini-bike, dune buggy, motor scooter, jeep or other form of motorized transportation upon the private property of another or upon any public property which is not held open to the public for any vehicular use and which is not subject to provisions of the Vehicle Code, without having and displaying, upon the request of a peace officer, written permission from the owner of such property or his agent or the person in lawful possession thereof. Provided, however, the provisions of this section shall not apply to emergency vehicles, governmental agencies or to other persons driving upon such property with the written consent of the owner or person in lawful possession of such property, or to the owner himself, his family, employees, agents or lessees.

(Prior Code 18-61; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70; Ord. No. 98-10, Amended, 10/27/98)
Chapter 10.40

Loading Zones

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Section 10.40.010 Authority to Establish Loading Zones

A. Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine and to mark loading zones and passenger loading zones as follows:
   1. At any place in a business district.
   2. Elsewhere in front of the entrance to any place of business or in front of any hall or place used for the purpose of public assembly.
B. In no event shall more than one-half of the total curb length in any block be reserved for loading zone purposes.
C. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine and to mark passenger loading zones adjacent to schools, which are to be used for school student drop off and pick up. Such passenger loading shall be limited to between the hours of 7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. on school days. These time limits shall be clearly indicated on signs erected adjacent the passenger loading zone.
D. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to determine and to mark school bus loading zones adjacent to schools, which are to be used for school student drop off and pick up by school buses. Such passenger loading shall be limited to between the hours of 7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. on school days or time limits and days as requested by the school district. These time limits shall be clearly indicated on signs erected adjacent the passenger loading zone.

CE. Loading zones shall be indicated by yellow paint upon curbs within such zones.
DF. Passenger loading zones shall be indicated by white paint upon curbs in such zones.

(Prior Code 18-62; Ord. No. 70-17; Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.020 Curb Markings to Indicate No Stopping or Parking

A. The City Traffic Engineer is authorized, subject to the provisions and limitations of this title, to place, and when required in this chapter shall place, the following curb markings to indicate parking or standing regulations, and such curb markings have the meanings set forth in this section.
   1. Red means no stopping, standing or parking at any time except as permitted by the Vehicle Code, and except that a bus may stop in a red zone only when marked or signed as a bus zone.
   2. Yellow means no stopping, standing or parking at any time between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers or materials, provided that the loading or unloading of passengers does not consume more than three minutes nor the loading or unloading of materials more than 20 minutes.
   3. White means no stopping, standing or parking for any purpose other than
loading or unloading of passengers, or for the purpose of depositing mail in an adjacent mail box, which shall not exceed three minutes and such restrictions apply between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. of any day except Sundays and holidays and except as follows:

a. When such zone is in front of a hotel or in front of a mail box the restrictions apply at all times.

b. When such zone is in front of a theater the restrictions apply at all times except when such theater is closed.

4. When the City Traffic Engineer as authorized under this title has caused curb markings to be placed, no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle adjacent to any such legible curb marking in violation of any of the provisions of this section.

(Prior Code 18-63; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.030 Effect of Permission to Load or Unload

A. Permission granted in this chapter to stop or stand a vehicle for purposes of loading or unloading of materials applies only to commercial vehicles and does not extend beyond the time necessary therefore, and in no event for more than 20 minutes.

B. The loading or unloading of materials applies only to commercial deliveries, also the delivery or pick-up of express and parcel post packages and United States mail.

C. Permission granted in this chapter to stop or park for purposes of loading or unloading passengers includes the loading or unloading of personal baggage, but does not extend beyond the time necessary therefore and in no event for more than three minutes.

D. Within the total time limits specified in Subsections A through C of this section the provisions of this section shall be enforced so as to accommodate necessary and reasonable loading or unloading, but without permitting abuse of the privileges granted by this section.

(Prior Code 18-64; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.040 Standing for Loading or Unloading Only

No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle in any yellow loading zone for any purpose other than loading or unloading passengers or material for such time as is permitted in Section 10.40.030.

(Prior Code 18-65; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.050 Standing in Passenger Loading Zone

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any passenger loading zone for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers for such time as is specified in Section 10.40.030.

(Prior Code 18-66; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.060 Standing in Any Alley

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of persons or materials in any alley and in no event shall such stopping or parking be for a period longer than 30 minutes.

(Prior Code 18-67; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)

Section 10.40.070 Bus Zones to be Established
A. Subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, the City Traffic Engineer is authorized to establish bus zones opposite curb space for the loading and unloading of buses or common carriers of passengers and to determine the location thereof.

B. Coach zones shall normally be established on the far side of an intersection.

(Prior Code 18-68; Ord. No. 70-17, Enacted 5/4/70)
CERTIFICATION

I, Kathy Valdez, City Clerk of the City of Vista, California, certify that I caused the foregoing Ordinance No. 2019-8 to be posted on May 29, 2019, at the following locations within the City of Vista: 1) the Reference Desk of the Vista Branch of the San Diego County Public Library, 700 Eucalyptus Avenue; 2) the Lobby Counter at the Gloria E. McClellan Senior Center, 1400 Vale Terrace Drive; and 3) the City Clerk’s Office, 200 Civic Center Drive.

Kathy Valdez, City Clerk