

**ORDINANCE NO. 413  
(AS AMENDED THROUGH 413.31)  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AMENDING  
ORDINANCE NO. 413 REGULATING VEHICLE PARKING**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside do ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Ordinance No. 413 is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

**Section 1.1 FINDINGS.**

Upon review of the current Ordinance 413 related to parking restrictions, the following actions are determined necessary:

**A. Statement of Intent and Purpose.**

In order to further community preservation, protection of the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, property values, and aesthetic qualities, these regulations are intended to provide a just, equitable, and practical method for regulating and enforcing street parking restrictions and prohibitions for certain vehicles within the unincorporated areas of the County of Riverside.

**Section 1.2 DEFINITIONS.**

The following terms shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them for purposes of this Section. Whenever any terms used in this Section are not defined, but are defined in the Vehicle Code of the State of California and amendments thereto, such definitions are incorporated herein and shall apply.

- A. "County" means the County of Riverside, California.
- B. "County Code Enforcement" means any County staff designated as County Code Enforcement personnel under the Code Enforcement Division of the Building and Safety Department of the County.
- C. "County Highway" means any streets, roads and highways that have been accepted into the County maintained road system and are maintained by the Transportation Department.
- D. "Commercial Vehicles" means any vehicles of a type that are required to be registered under the California Vehicle Code used or maintained for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation, or profit or designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

- E. “Director of Transportation” means the Director of the Riverside County Transportation Department and shall be equivalent to the “road commissioner” in its authority and capacity for any legal requirements.
- F. “Recreational Vehicles” means any vehicles, with or without motor power, designed for human habitation or recreation, including but not limited to: boats, snowmobiles, watercraft, racing vehicles, off-road vehicles, utility trailers, motor homes, travel trailers, truck campers or camping trailers.
- G. “Residential District” means as any area zoned primarily for residential use pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 3.1 of Riverside County Ordinance 348.

**Section 1.3 PARKING OR STANDING RESTRICTED.**

- A. Except as provided in Section 1.6, no person shall park or leave standing any vehicle or trailer, on any county highway for a period in excess of three days.
- B. A vehicle or trailer parked or left standing at the same location for more than 72 hours is prohibited to be parked or left standing at another location within a radius of 500 feet from the original location, with the intent to circumvent the 72-hour parking limit and using county roads as storage space, after enforcement personnel tag the vehicle or trailer for possible violation of Subsection A above.

**Section 1.4 VIOLATION – REMOVAL OF VEHICLE: OPPORTUNITY FOR POST STORAGE HEARING**

- A. Any vehicle parked or left standing on any County highway in violation of Section 1.3 of this Ordinance shall be subject to removal and placed in a storage facility pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of Sections 22651 and 22850 of the California Vehicle Code.
- B. Whenever a vehicle is removed from County highway pursuant to Subsection A of this Section, the vehicle’s registered and legal owners of record, or their agents, shall be provided with an opportunity for a post-storage hearing to determine the authority for, and the validity of, the removal and storage of such vehicle pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of Sections 22650 and 22852 of the California Vehicle Code.

**Section 1.5     PARKING OR STANDING PROHIBITED.**

- A. No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle where signs are posted or curbs are painted giving notice thereof.
- B. The Director of Transportation is hereby authorized to establish on county highways restricted parking or no-stopping zones upon the completion of an engineering study and a field review which study and field review shall document the need and purpose in establishing such restricted parking or no-stopping zones.
- C. The Director of Transportation shall post signs or cause curbs to be painted to give notice of the parking restrictions contained in subsection A of this section.
- D. According to the California Vehicle Code Section 22651 and Riverside County Ordinance No. 556, county code enforcement is hereby authorized to enforce parking restrictions promulgated in this ordinance. The Director of building and safety or his designee shall effect the guidelines and administrative procedures deemed necessary.

**Section 1.6     NOTICE OF VEHICLE REMOVAL – SIGNS.**

The Board of Supervisors, by resolution, may prohibit parking on designated portions of state highways and authorize the removal of any vehicle parking or left standing therefrom pursuant to Section 22651(n) of the California Vehicle Code, and upon adoption of any such resolution, the Director of Transportation shall post signs giving notice of such removal.

**Section 1.7     ANGLE PARKING.**

- A. The Board of Supervisors, by resolution, may allow angle parking on streets where curbs and gutters are installed and the roadway is paved from curb to curb, with a minimum width of 75 feet.
- B. Where angle parking is permitted, vehicles are required to park within the white lines designating angle parking spaces.
- C. The Director of Transportation shall cause streets and highways to be marked with white lines designating parking spaces as provided in subsection B of this section.

**Section 1.8     TRUCKS AND TRAILERS.**

- A. No person shall park or leave standing any truck, trailer, or semi-trailer used primarily for hauling manure, garbage, livestock, poultry or other product giving off a noxious or unpleasant odor, upon, or in a county highway or other property adjacent to, or within two hundred (200) feet from, any premises zoned primarily for residential occupancy and in use for that purpose, except in an emergency or when necessary for the purpose of loading or unloading such vehicle.
- B. The Director of Transportation shall place signs to give notice of any regulation as provided for in subsection A of this section.

**Section 1.9     LOADING ZONES.**

The Board of Supervisors, by this ordinance, hereby delegates to the Director of Transportation the authority to establish loading zones and passenger loading zones. The Director of Transportation or his designee shall determine the location of the loading zones and passenger loading zones and establish the zones upon completion of an engineering study and a field review which study and field review shall document the need and purpose in establishing such loading zones. The loading zones shall be indicated by appropriate signs and curb markings hereinafter provided.

- A.     Red shall mean no stopping, standing or parking at any time, except that a bus may stop to load or unload passengers in a red zone marked or sign posted as a bus loading. A red zone marked or sign posted as a taxi zone shall permit stopping, standing and parking exclusively for taxicabs.
- B.     Yellow shall mean no stopping, standing or parking at any time between seven a.m. and six p.m. on any day except Sunday and holidays for any purpose other than the loading or unloading of passengers or materials, provided that the loading or unloading of passengers shall not consume more than five minutes, or the loading or unloading of materials more than twenty (20) minutes.
- C.     White shall mean no stopping, standing or parking except so long as is necessary for the loading or unloading of passengers or for the purposes of depositing or picking up mail in an adjacent mailbox.
- D.     Green shall mean stopping, standing or parking is allowed for the time limit specified by posted signs or stencils on the top of the curb where applicable.

**Section 1.10    COMMUNITY MAIL BOXES.**

- A.     No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle or trailers within 15 feet of a community mailbox or cluster of individual mailboxes that serve four or more residences or businesses.
- B.     Signs are not required to be posted to provide enforcement when the delivery of mail is hindered due to a parked vehicle blocking the mail boxes.

**Section 1.11    SIGNS.**

- A.     Whenever the Director of Transportation shall determine that, in a special situation, traffic congestions or hazardous or dangerous driving conditions are likely to result on any highway, street or alley under the jurisdiction of the county from the holding of public or private assemblages, gatherings or functions, street construction, maintenance or repair work , or for any other reason of public safety, he or she is authorized to order the placement or posting of temporary signs, including reduced speed signs, indicating that the operation, parking or standing of vehicles is prohibited or regulated on such highway, street or alley, to the extent indicated on the signs. Such signs shall remain in place only during the existence of such special situation and the Director of Transportation shall cause such

- signs to be removed promptly thereafter.
- B. The Director of Transportation shall place signs or cause the curbs to be painted to give notice to any regulation as provided for in Subsection A and this section.
  - C. When signs authorized by provisions of this section are in place, giving notice of the provisions thereof, no person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle contrary to the directions and provisions of such signs nor exceed the speed indicated.

**Section 1.12 STATE HIGHWAYS.**

- A. Any provision of this ordinance which regulates traffic or delegates the regulation of traffic upon state highways in any way for which the approval of the State Department of Transportation is required by state law shall cease to be operative six months after receipt by the Board of Supervisors of written notice of withdrawal of approval provided by the State Department of Transportation.
- B. Whenever this ordinance delegates authority to a county officer, or authorizes action by the Board of Supervisors to regulate traffic upon a state highway in any way which by state law requires the prior approval of the State Department of Transportation, no such officer shall exercise such authority nor shall such action by the Board of Supervisors be effective with respect to any state highway without the prior approval in writing of the State Department of Transportation when and to the extent required by the California Vehicle Code.

**Section 1.13 DISPLAYING VEHICLE FOR SALE.**

- A. No person shall park any vehicle or place any structure upon any county highway for the purpose of selling therefrom any article or thing, and no person shall sell, display for sale, or offer for sale any article or thing, either in or from any such vehicle or structure so parked or placed; but this section shall not prohibit a seller from taking orders or delivering any commodity from a vehicle on a county highway adjacent to the premises of the purchaser, nor shall it prohibit any person from temporarily parking any vehicle upon a county highway while actually engaged in making a sale to a customer wishing to buy.
- B. (1) Except as provided for in subdivision (2) of this subsection, no person shall park, stop, place or leave standing any vehicle or cause any vehicle to be parked or placed upon any private or public street, highway, parking lot or other private or public property located within the unincorporated area of the county for the purpose of selling, displaying for sale or offering for sale any such vehicle.  
(2) Subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not prohibit any person from selling, displaying for sale or offering for sale a vehicle on private property, provided the person owns or occupies the property or has written permission of the property owner, authorized agent of the property owner or the person in lawful possession of such private

property. Such written permission shall be displayed in or on the vehicle in such a manner as to be clearly visible, and upon request by a peace officer or code enforcement officer employed by the department of building and safety, such written permission shall be made available for further inspection.

Subdivision (2) of this subsection shall not exempt a person from compliance with county zoning ordinances or any other ordinance or law governing the sale of vehicles on private property.

- (3) The parking or placing of any vehicle with a sign or other advertising device thereon or proximate thereto, indicating such vehicle is for sale shall constitute prima facie evidence that such vehicle was parked or placed for the purpose of displaying the vehicle for sale.
- (4) The provisions of this subsection may be administered and enforced by the Director of building and safety and his or her employees or designees.

#### **Section 1.14 SPACES MARKED FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING.**

- A. The Board of Supervisors may, by resolution, designate parking spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles which display a distinguishing license plate or a placard issued pursuant to Sections 22511.55 and 22511.59 or 5007 of the California Vehicle Code. If the designated space is to be on a county highway, it shall be reviewed to determine if there is sufficient space for a disabled person to enter and exit the vehicle safely and if a viable path is available (including wheelchair ramps) from the designated parking space. Whenever a parking space is so designated, it shall be indicated by blue paint on the curb or edge of the paved portion of the street adjacent to the space, and may also be indicated by signs or other suitable means.
- B. The Board of Supervisors may, by resolution, designate stalls or spaces in an off-street parking facility owned or operated by the county for the exclusive use of vehicles which display a distinguishing license plate or placard issued pursuant to Section 22511.55 and 22511.59 or 5007 of the California Vehicle Code.
- C. The owner or person in lawful possession of an off-street parking facility, after notifying the sheriff's department, and the county owning or operating an off-street parking facility, may cause the removal from a stall or space designated for physically handicapped persons in such facility to the nearest public garage, which regularly accepts towed vehicles, of any vehicle not displaying one of the distinguishing placards or license plates specified in this section if there is posted immediately adjacent to, and visible from such stall or space, or, if there is posted, in a conspicuous place at each entrance to the off-street parking facility, not less than seventeen (17) by twenty-two (22) inches in size with lettering not less than one inch in height, a sign which clearly and conspicuously states the following: "Unauthorized vehicles not displaying distinguishing placards or license plates issued for physically handicapped persons will be towed

away at owner's expense. Towed vehicles may be reclaimed at (address): \_\_\_\_\_, or by telephoning (law enforcement phone): \_\_\_\_\_."

- D. No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle in a stall or space designated for disabled persons and disabled veterans, unless the vehicle displays a distinguishing license plate or placard issued pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 5007 or Vehicle Code Section(s) 22511.55 or 22511.59.
- E. All fines imposed for violations of subsection D of this section shall be in accordance with Vehicle Code Section 42001.5.  
The provisions of this section may be administered and enforced by the Director of building and safety and his or her designees, pursuant to Vehicle Code 22507.9.

**Section 1.15 PARKING REGULATIONS IN SNOW AREAS.**

- A. No person shall park or leave unattended any vehicle on any state or county highway, including the improved shoulders of such highway, in any snow area so as to interfere with the operations of snow removal equipment, except when necessary to comply with the directions of a peace officer. A vehicle shall be deemed unattended if the licensed driver responsible for the vehicle is not immediately available for moving the vehicle. Snow removal equipment includes any vehicle, machinery or equipment utilized for snow removal and belonging to the Riverside County Transportation Department, the California State Department of Transportation, or any other person engaged, hired, contracted or otherwise authorized to remove snow from state or county highways.
- B. For the purposes of this section, "snow area" includes all unincorporated areas of the county encompassed by the boundaries of the San Bernardino National Forest.
- C. The Director of Transportation shall place signs to give notice of the snow area parking restrictions contained in this section.
- D. Any vehicle parked or left standing in violation of this section shall be subject to removal as provided for in Section 22651 of the California Vehicle Code. Any peace officer, as that term is defined in Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 830) of Title 3 of Part 2 of the Penal Code; or any regularly employed and salaried county employee, who is engaged in directing traffic or enforcing parking laws or regulations, may remove or cause to be removed any vehicle parked or left unattended in violation of this section. Any regularly employed and salaried county employee who is engaged in snow removal operations shall enforce the provisions of this section and may remove or cause to be removed any vehicle parked or left unattended in violation of this section.
- E. Charges for vehicle removal, tow away and storage shall be assessed against the vehicle removed for violation of this section.
- F. This section shall not apply to emergency vehicles as defined by the California Vehicle Code.

**Section 1.16 RESERVED PARKING STALLS.**

- A. No motor vehicle shall be parked on any of the reserved parking stalls of Riverside County owned or operated off-street parking facilities within the city of Indio between the hours of seven a.m. and six p.m. on weekdays, except holidays, unless there is a sticker or transparency issued by authority of the Board of Supervisors, which shall be triangular in shape bearing the words "Riverside County Parking" and a serial number printed in black letters on a yellow, blue or red background.
- B. Motor vehicles parking on reserved parking stalls of county owned or operated off-street parking facilities within the City of Indio which do not display the sticker or transparency required by subsection A of this section shall be cited for illegal parking by the county sheriff's department.

**Section 1.17 COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.**

- A. No person shall park or leave standing a commercial vehicle having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of more than ten thousand (10,000) pounds, or any commercial trailer or semi-trailer regardless of weight, on any street or highway within a residential district in the unincorporated area of the county.
- B. The Director of Transportation or his or her designees shall post signs to give notice of the parking restrictions contained in this section at major entry points into the county in the unincorporated areas.
- C. This section shall not apply under the following conditions:
  - (1) Any commercial vehicle making pickups or deliveries of goods, wares and merchandise from or to any building or structure located on the restricted streets or highways or for the purpose of delivering materials to be used in the actual and 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;
  - (2) Any vehicle parked in connection with, and in the aid of, the performance of a service to or on a property in the block in which such vehicle is parked;
  - (3) Any school or passenger bus under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission;
  - (4) Any vehicle owned by a city, county, state, public entity or licensed contractor engaged in the installation, maintenance, or repair of any public property, utility or highway;
  - (5) Any authorized emergency vehicle as defined by the California Vehicle Code.
- D. PENALTY - Violation of Section 1.17 shall be an infraction, punishable by a fine of \$250 for the first infraction, a fine of \$500 for the second infraction, and a fine of \$750 for each additional violation of this Section within a period of one year after the second infraction.

**Section 1.18 UNLAWFUL PARKING OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES**



**Section 1.18.1 Recreational Vehicle Prohibited on County Highway within Residential Districts; Exceptions**

- A. Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, no person shall park or leave standing any recreational vehicle on any County highway within a residential district in the unincorporated area of the County.
- B. For a period of not more than forty-eight (48) hours, twice a month, a recreational vehicle may be parked or left standing on a County highway if vehicles are otherwise allowed to park there and if:
  - (1) The vehicle is parked or left standing directly in front of the residence of the recreational vehicle owner for the purposes of loading, unloading or cleaning of said vehicle; or
  - (2) The vehicle is parked or left standing directly in front of the residence by a person visiting the residence and the owner of the residence has given his or her permission.
- C. Notwithstanding the above, a recreational vehicle parked within the boundaries of the Eastvale Neighborhood Preservation Overlay Zone shall be subject to the requirements of Article XIXh of Ordinance No. 348.

**Section 1.18.2 Two Hour Parking Restriction on County Highway for Recreational Vehicles where Signs are Posted; Exception**

- A. Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, no person shall park or leave standing any recreational vehicle on any County highway in the unincorporated area of the County for a period longer than two (2) hours of any one day when signs are erected or posted giving notice thereof.
- B. The Director of Transportation is hereby authorized to establish restricted parking for recreational vehicles on any County highway pursuant to Subsection A of this Section upon completion of an engineering study and a field review, which study and field review shall document the need and purpose in establishing two (2) hour parking restriction for recreational vehicles on County highway. When exercising the authority conferred by this Section, the Director of Transportation shall cause signs to be erected or posted pursuant to Section 1.18.3 of this Ordinance.
- C. This Section shall not apply to any County highway located within the boundaries of a residential district in the unincorporated area of the County.

**Section 1.18.3 Signage**

The Director of Transportation shall erect or post signs in compliance with Section 22507 of the California Vehicle Code giving notice of the parking prohibitions and restrictions contained in Sections 1.18.1 and 1.18.2 of this Ordinance.

**Section 1.18.4 Enforcement; Violation – Citation**

County Code Enforcement shall enforce the provisions of Sections 1.18.1 and 1.18.2 of this Ordinance. Any vehicle parked or left standing in violation of Sections 1.18.1 and 1.18.2 of this Ordinance shall be subject to citation. No citation shall be issued unless signs are erected or posted pursuant to Section 1.18.3 of this Ordinance.

**Section 1.19 VIOLATION – PENALTY.**

Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance (except stated otherwise) shall be guilty of an infraction, unless otherwise provided and upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable by a fine established by the California Vehicle Code. Each day a violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a first and any subsequent violation of Section 1.13(B) may be cited, charged and prosecuted as a misdemeanor. Payments of any fine or penalty shall not relieve a person from the responsibility of correcting any violation of this Ordinance.

**Section 1.20 Legal Procedures and Penalties**

The procedures, remedies and penalties for violation of any provision of this Ordinance and for recovery of costs related to enforcement are provided for in Ordinance No. 725, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.** The following ordinances and parts of ordinances are hereby repealed: Ordinance Nos. 413.1 through 413.29, inclusive.

**Section 3.** This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its adoption.

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