

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 026-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 351.18 “TRUCK, TRAILER AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS” OF THE TRAFFIC CODE OF THE BEDFORD CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO READ AS SECTION 351.18 “TRUCK, TRAILER AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PARKING LOTS” AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Council recommends that Section 351.18 of the parking ordinances needs to be updated, and

WHEREAS, the City of Bedford hereby declares a number of actions and conditions as nuisances, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga, and the State of Ohio:

Section 1. A new subsection of Section 351.18 of the Traffic Code of the Bedford Codified Ordinance is hereby established and hereby amended to read as follows:

351.18 TRUCK, TRAILER AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PARKING LOTS.

- (a) No person shall park a truck, trailer, semitrailer, recreational vehicle, travel trailer, motor homes, truck camper, fifth wheel trailer or park trailer as defined in the Ohio Revised Code in a public roadway at any time in front or alongside of property used for residential purposes, except in case of breakdown, for loading or unloading purposes, or for providing a temporary service to the public.
- (b) Travel trailers, pick-up campers, motorized homes (RV), folding tent trailers, boats, semi-trucks, car haulers, transportation vans, trailers, and construction trailers/equipment are prohibited from parking on City-owned properties and on City-owned parking areas.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

Section 2. Existing Section 351.18, “Truck Parking In Residential Areas,” of the Traffic Code shall be and is hereby repealed and amended accordingly.

Section 3. That actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the public peace, health safety and welfare of the City of Bedford and further reason that Council for the City of Bedford wants to insure safe ingress and egress for residents.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

Stanley C. Koci, Mayor-President of Council

Tracy M. Simons, Clerk of Council

Prepared and approved as to legal content by: _____
John J. Montello, Law Director

PASSED: April 15, 2024