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To: Planning Commission
From: Matthew Kennedy, Parking Manager
Subject: Updates to City Code Sections 33-1, 33-82, and 33-97

In order to clarify, correct, and expand the language in our city code, the City of Duluth parking staff recommend several modifications to the code. We welcome your input on these code updates because they also touch upon elements of Chapter 50 of the code.

- **Section 33-1** → Addition of “recreational vehicle” as a defined term. We recommend the highlighted definition on the second page of this document for both Chapter 33 and Chapter 50.
- **Section 33-82(a)17** → Correction of the citation so that it references Chapter 50.
- **Section 33-97.10**
 - Correction of the particular districts referenced in Chapter 50.
 - Addition of “recreational vehicle” to make Section 33-97.10 consistent with Section 33-97.11, which the city council approved in July 2004 and September 2013.
 - Addition of “bus” because the city periodically receives citizen complaints about both recreational vehicles and buses parked on public streets in residential districts.

Your feedback and support are much appreciated.

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Sec. 33-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this Section:

...
Recreational vehicle. A vehicle that is built on a single chassis, is four hundred (400) square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection, is designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a truck, and is designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use. For the purposes of this Code, the term recreational vehicle shall be synonymous with the term "travel trailer/travel vehicle."

... (Ord. No. 6838, 6-12-1950, § 1; Ord. No. 7049, 6-4-1956; Ord. No. 7245, 6-27-1960, § 1; Ord. No. 7539, 10-10-1966, § 1; Ord. No. 8028, 12-3-1973, § 1; Ord. No. 8152, 6-16-1975, § 12.)

Sec. 33-82. Prohibitions generally.

(a) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

- (1) On a sidewalk;
- (2) In front of a public or private driveway;
- (3) Within an intersection;
- (4) Within ten feet of a fire hydrant;
- (5) On a crosswalk;
- (6) Within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- (7) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway;
- (8) Within seven feet upon the approach to the entrance of any alley or private driveway;
- (9) Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
- (10) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of such entrance when properly signposted;
- (11) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic;
- (12) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street (double parking);
- (13) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel when such parking or stopping is prohibited by official signs;
- (14) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping;
- (15) Between the curb line and property line or between the edge of the roadway and property line;
- (16) On any area designated as a fire lane;
- (17) Except as otherwise authorized, within a front yard area, as such area is defined by Section Chapter 50-4.77 of this Code;

(b) No person shall move a vehicle not owned by such person into any prohibited area or away from a curb such distance as is unlawful;

(c) No person shall, for the purpose of camping, lodging, or residing therein, leave or park a vehicle or motor vehicle on or within the limits of any highway or on any highway right-of-way, except where signs are erected designating the place as a camp site;

(d) No person shall stop or park a vehicle on a street or highway when directed or ordered to proceed by any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control or regulate traffic. (Ord. No. 6838, 6-12-1950, § 60; Ord. No. 7049, 6-4-1956; Ord. No. 8104, 10-7-1974, § 1; Ord. No. 8113, 11-12-1974, § 1; Ord. No. 9617, 7-28-2003, § 1.)

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Sec. 33-97.10. Parking of trailers, buses, RVs, and certain trucks in Residential and MU-N zones districts prohibited; exceptions.

No person shall park a truck with a net weight of more than 5,500 pounds or a gross weight limitation of more than 10,000 pounds or a bus, recreational vehicle, semi-trailer, trailer, truck tractor or road tractor on a street in an area zoned "S" Suburban or "R-1 a," "R-1 b," "R-1 c," "R-2," "R-3," or "R-4" any Residential district or on a street in any Mixed Use-Neighborhood (MU-N) district, those districts having been established under Chapter 50 of this Code, except for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or freight and then only for a period no longer than is necessary for the loading or unloading of such passengers or freight; provided, however, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply to the parking of vehicles of public bodies or public utilities which are used for providing emergency repair service. (Ord. No. 7682, 12-16-1968; Ord. No. 8006, 8-27-1973, § 1.)

Sec. 33-97.11. Parking camping trailers or recreational vehicles.

No person shall park, store or occupy any trailer or recreational vehicle in, on or upon any place or premises situated outside an approved and duly licensed trailer camp; but nothing contained in this ordinance shall prohibit the parking or storing of only one unoccupied trailer in a private garage, driveway or in a rear yard located anywhere within the city of Duluth, provided that no living quarters shall be maintained, for a period in excess of 35 consecutive days and 60 total days in any calendar year, nor any business carried on, or profession practiced in such trailer, during all of the time such trailer is so parked or stored. (Repealed by Ord. No. 7682, 12-16-1968; amended by Ord. No. 9674, 7-12-2004, § 2; Ord. No. 10245, 9-9-2013, § 1.)