

Chapter 70 OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS¹

ARTICLE X. PARKING PROHIBITIONS

Sec. 70-230 Vehicle Storage and Parking in Residential Districts

- (a) No trailers, tow-behinds, boats, recreational vehicles, non-passenger vehicles, or equipment other than operational passenger vehicles shall be permitted to be parked or stored between the primary building and the street of any residential property between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- (b) Trailers, tow-behinds, boats, recreational vehicles, non-passenger vehicles, or equipment may be permitted in the side or rear yard of residential properties if they are located behind an opaque fence or wall.
- (c) Exceptions to these provisions may be permitted by the Chief Building Official or their designees for property construction or maintenance activities.

Sec. 70-231. Parking on Unsurfaced Areas

Parking prohibitions on unsurfaced areas shall be as follows:

- (a) No car, truck, or other vehicle shall be parked on an unpaved area of the front yard. This provision shall not apply to those lots platted prior to the effective date of Ordinance No. 1270 (December 15, 1981).
- (b) For lots platted prior to the effective date of Ordinance No. 1270 (December 15, 1981), no car truck, or other vehicle shall be parked on an unsurfaced area of the front yard if the lot has a concrete, asphalt, or gravel driveway.
- (c) If a concrete, asphalt, or gravel driveway does exist for a lot platted prior to the effective date of Ordinance No. 1270 (December 15, 1981) and unique circumstances prevent strict adherence with the provisions of this subsection, the Director of Planning may approve an exception to the provision and impose conditions to limit the number of vehicles that may be parked on an unsurfaced area, and the extent of unsurfaced area where parking is permitted if the Director finds that:
 - (1) Unique circumstances exist on the property, such as substandard lot size, size or location of existing structures, trees, or topographical features, which make the application of provision ii of this subsection unduly burdensome;
 - (2) The exception will have no adverse impact on current or future development; and
 - (3) The exception will have no adverse impact on the public health, safety, and general welfare.
- (d) The applicant bears the burden of proof in demonstrating that the exception is warranted under the circumstances presented. A financial hardship is not sufficient cause for granting an exception.
- (e) Appeals to the decision of the director may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment.

¹State law reference(s)—Local government preempted from enacting law concerning conduct addressed by state penal code, V.T.C.A., Penal Code § 1.08.