

City of Duluth

Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 33-82 OF THE DULUTH CITY CODE RESCINDING RESTRICTION AGAINST CAMPING AND LODGING IN ONE'S VEHICLE.

BY COUNCILORS RUSS AND SIPRESS:

The city of Duluth does ordain:

Section 1. That Section 33-82 of the Duluth City Code be amended as follows:

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 50-1.77 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.
- Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its passage and publication.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This ordinance repeals the city's prohibition against resting in a vehicle if

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the vehicle is legally parked and is part of a legislative package aimed at addressing concerns brought forward by advocates for people experiencing homelessness concerning the criminalization and lack of resources available to those experiencing homelessness.