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ORDINANCE NO. 24-96

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GENERAL  
ORDINANCE NO. 5, 1983 ALSO KNOWN AS AN  
ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION AND PARKING  
OF CERTAIN VEHICLES WITHIN THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Town of Plainfield has adopted General Ordinance No. 5, 1983 titled AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES WITHIN THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD; and

WHEREAS, it has now been determined to be in the best interest of the Town of Plainfield to amend certain provisions of said Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Town Council of the Town of Plainfield that GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 5, 1983 shall be re-titled as "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION AND PARKING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES WITHIN THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD" and said ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Section I. Truck Parking

All motor trucks, tractors, buses, trailers, house trailers, semitrailers, travel trailers, motorhomes, recreational vehicles, farm machinery and farm equipment having a load capacity in excess of 1-1/2 tons, or a length in excess of 19 feet, or a height in excess of 7 feet or a width in excess of 7 feet shall not park or partially park upon the public streets, alleys and highways of the town, except as provided in Sections II and III below.

Section II. Loading and Unloading Merchandise and Materials

In places where, and at times not prohibited, vehicles used for the transportation of merchandise or materials may stop or park temporarily upon the public streets, alleys and

highways of the Town to load or unload merchandise or materials so long as such temporary stopping or parking does not interfere with the moment of vehicular traffic in the Town.

Section III. ~~Loading and Unloading Travel Trailers, Motorhomes and Recreational~~

Vehicles

★ Travel trailers, motorhomes and recreational vehicles may be temporarily parked upon a public street in Plainfield in front of the residence of the person or persons using such trailer, motorhome or recreational vehicle for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours for the purpose of loading or unloading personal items in or out of the unit. ★

Section IV. Vehicles Exceeding 5 Tons

No person shall drive or operate, or cause to be driven or operated, any vehicle used for the transportation of goods or property, the gross weight of which, with load, exceeds 5 tons, upon the streets, bridges and culverts within the town except on designated and marked state and federal routes, temporary or permanent. Drivers of such vehicles whose gross weight, with load, exceeds weight limits prescribed by this section may deliver or pick up goods or property at places not located on state or federal routes provided such vehicles are only operated by the shortest way possible between the state or federal route and the place of delivery or pickup.

Section V. Obligation to use State or Federal Routes

All streets and highways leading into the town shall be properly posted warning operators of vehicles used for transportation of goods and property and exceeding weight limits prescribed by this chapter that they must follow state or federal routes, temporary or permanent.

The operator of a vehicle exceeding such weight limits upon entering the town on a street other than a state or federal route shall proceed immediately by the shortest way possible to the nearest state or federal route leading in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding.

Section VI. Fines, Costs and Expenses

Violation of this ordinance is hereby declared to be an infraction punishable by a fine in the amount of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for the first violation, and a fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for any subsequent violation of this ordinance within a period of twelve (12) months after the first violation.

Section VII. Removal of Vehicles

In addition to the fine provided for herein for the violation of this ordinance, if any vehicle is found parked in such a manner as to constitute a violation of this ordinance, and if it is further determined that such vehicle as parked; (1) constitutes a safety hazard; (2) interferes with the normal flow of traffic; or (3) blocks a street, alley or highway of the town; then and in that event, the Plainfield Metropolitan Police shall have the right to move or remove said vehicle from its location by any reasonable means, including but not limited to towing said vehicle to a storage facility. Any costs and expenses incurred as a result of the moving or removal of a vehicle pursuant to this section, including any storage costs, shall be charged to the owner of said vehicle. If the removal of the vehicle results in storage of the vehicle, the vehicle shall not be removed and released from storage until full payment is received by the Town of Plainfield for the costs and expenses provided for by this section.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Passed and adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1996.

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