

ORDINANCE NO. 2002-6

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS

Section 1. Definitions

The following shall be considered recreational vehicles:

- a. Travel Trailer – A vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling, or to be towed behind a motor vehicle, without special permit being needed, and having an overall length of not more than thirty-five feet (35') and a width not exceeding eight (8') feet.
- b. Pick Up Coach - A structure designed to be mounted on a truck chassis for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation, and vacation.
- c. Motor Home – A portable, temporary dwelling to be used for travel, recreation and vacation constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle.
- d. Camping Trailer – A canvas, folding structure mounted on wheels and designed for travel, recreation and vacation use.

Recreational Vehicle Park – A unified development under private ownership designed primarily for transient service not to exceed thirty (30) days, on which travel trailer, pick up coaches, and self-propelled motorized vehicles are parked or situated and used for the requirements of this article.

Recreational Vehicle Stand – A parcel or area of land for the placement of a single recreational vehicle and the exclusive use of its occupants and which is located in a recreational vehicle park.

Permanent Residents – Any recreational vehicle which stays longer than (30) continuous days in the same recreational vehicle park.

Section 2. Recreational Vehicle Park License

- a. **License Required** – It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain or operate, within the limits of the City, any recreational vehicle park unless such person shall first obtain a license thereof. All recreational vehicle parks in existence upon the effective date of this article shall, within ninety (90) days thereafter, obtain such license and all other respects comply fully with the requirements of this article.
- b. **License Fee** – The permit for a recreational vehicle park shall be obtained from the City Secretary at a fee as set forth in Article 8.000 of the fee schedule found in the Appendix of this code. Such permit shall expire on December 31st of the year

in which it was issued. Application for renewal of permits shall be written thirty (30) days prior to expiration and a renewal fee for a twelve-month period thereafter.

- c. **Application for License** – Application for a recreational vehicle park shall be filed with the City Secretary for submission to the Planning and Zoning Commission, at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting of said Planning and Zoning Commission at which approval is requested. Application shall be in writing and shall contain the following information.
1. The name and address of the applicant.
 2. The location and legal description of the recreational vehicle park.
 3. A complete plan of the park.
 4. Plans and specifications of all buildings and other improvements constructed, or to be constructed within the recreational vehicle park.
 5. Such further information as may be requested by the City, to determine if the recreational vehicle park will comply with the legal requirements.

After approval of the application by the Planning and Zoning Commission, and compliance with any conditional approval or disapproval of the application by the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Planning and Zoning Commission will transmit the application along with the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission, to the City Council for action of approval or disapproval. The City Administrator, at the direction of the City Council, shall issue the license.

- d. **Revocation of License** – The City may revoke any license to maintain and operate a recreational vehicle park when the licensee has been found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction of violating any provisions of this article. After such conviction, the license may be reissued if the circumstances leading to conviction have been remedied and the park is being maintained and operated in full compliance with the law and the provisions of this article.

Section 3 – Bonding Requirements

At the licensee's expense, The City Administrator shall cause each licensee of a recreational vehicle park to be bonded with a fidelity bond in the penal sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) Such bond shall be in a form approved by the City Attorney, with a corporate surety licensed to do business in the State of Texas, and shall indemnify the City against loss of any and all amounts collected by such licensee under the provisions of this section.

Section 4 – Recreational Vehicle Park Plan – The recreational vehicle park plan shall conform to the following requirements:

- a. The park shall be located on a well drained site, properly graded to insure rapid drainage and freedom from stagnant pools of water.

- b. Recreational vehicle stand spaces shall be provided, consisting of not more than (20) units per acre. The distance from the line or corner of any recreational vehicle to a boundary line of the recreational vehicle park shall be adequate to protect the residential use in the park and shall not be less than twenty-five feet (25') where abutting a public street. Yard requirements along other property lines shall be ten feet (10'). However, where the side lot line property in a residence district, a minimum side yard of fifteen feet (15') shall be provided. Where the rear lot line abuts a residence district, a minimum rear yard of twenty feet (20') shall be provided.
- c. The park plan required by in Section 3 shall provide a legal description and map clearly setting out the following information:
 1. The extent and area to be used for park purposes.
 2. Driveways at entrances and exists, roadways and walkways.
 3. Location of stands for recreational vehicles.
 4. Location and number of proposed sanitary conveniences; including proposed toilets, washrooms, laundries, laundry drying spaces, and utility rooms.
 5. Method and plan of sewage disposal.
 6. Method and plan of garbage disposal.
 7. Plan of water supply.
 8. Plan of electric lighting.
 9. Distance
 10. Such further information as may be requested by the city.

Section 5. - Water Supply and Sanitary System Within Recreational Vehicle Parks

- a. Park to have Water and Sewer Service When Available – Every recreational vehicle park shall have City water connections when available furnishing ample and adequate supply of water and shall be connected with the sanitary sewer when available and adequate provisions shall be made for the collection and removal of waste and garbage.
- b. Park to be Metered as One (1) Unit – Every recreational vehicle park shall be metered as one (1) unit and charged commercial water, sewer, and sanitation fees as one (1) unit. However, any recreational vehicle which exceeds the thirty (30) day limit as defined in Section 3. Shall be reclassified as a permanent resident and

the owner of the recreational vehicle park shall be required to pay residential basic minimum water fees, sewer fees, and sanitation fees separate from and in addition to the commercial rate charged services by the City of Beasley.

Section 6. - Register of Occupants Within Recreational Vehicle Park Required. -
It shall be the duty of the licensee to keep a register containing a record of all recreational vehicle owners and occupants located within the park. The register shall contain the following information as a minimum:

- a. Name and address of each owner.
- b. The make, model, and year of all automobiles and recreational vehicles.
- c. License number and owner of each recreational vehicle and automobile by which it is towed.
- d. The state issuing each license.
- e. The date of arrival and of departure of each recreational vehicle.

The park licensee shall keep the register for inspection at all times by law enforcement officers, public health officials, and other officials whose duties necessitate acquisition of the information contained in the register. The register records shall not be destroyed for a period of two (2) years following the date of registration.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect May 22, 2002 after it's passage and approval as required by law.

Passed and approved this 21st day of May 2002.



Attest:

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