

CITY OF MOLALLA WORK SESSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Civic Center | 315 Kennel Avenue Molalla, OR 97038 Wednesday, June 11, 2025 | 6:00 PM

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. GENERAL BUSINESS
 - A. MMC 10.72.020 Storage of Vehicles or Personal Property on Public Property Designated Time Limits
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CITY OF MOLALLA

Staff Report

Agenda Category: GENERAL BUSINESS

Agenda Date: Wednesday, June 11, 2025 Submitted by: Kyle Murphy, Code Compliance Specialist Approved by: Dan Huff, City Manager

SUBJECT: MMC 10.72.020 - Storage of Vehicles or Personal Property on Public Property - Designated Time Limits

BACKGROUND:

Staff was directed by the City Council to address on-street storage and parking of camper trailers and recreational vehicles (RV's) during this year's annual Goal Setting. The stated concern is that people are parking their trailers/RVs on the street for extended periods and causing a hazard due to sight lines and bump outs interfering in the function of the Right of Way.

CONSIDERATIONS: Molalla citizens have historically utilized the public street for certain activities relating to camper trailers and recreational vehicles in a less restrictive manner than some surrounding cities. Complaints are received and investigated on a case-by-case basis. Staff can continue this process and promote reporting through outreach to further ensure public streets are not being used for long term camper or RV storage.

Some surrounding cities have more restrictive regulations on parking or storage of camper trailers and RVs. City staff can work to revamp the current ordinance to eliminate the administrative burden around the "10-day rule" which will help enforcement of this ordinance.

PLANNING COMMISSION FEEDBACK: In certain areas, these complaints should be directed to the HOA for enforcement, however the HOA's cannot always be trusted to enforce these rules efficiently. The 10-day rule is difficult to enforce and track. 72-hours per instance is a fair amount of time for trailer parking on the street. There should be outreach to the community regarding the temporary extended stay permit which can be used instead of the 10-day rule.

ATTACHMENTS:

Presentation.pdf MMC 10.70.020 TOWING AND DISPOSITION OF VEHICLES.pdf



CURRENT STANDARDS FOR CAMPERS/RV'S - MMC 10.72.020

Complaint driven

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- 72-hour time limit
- 10-days per calendar year in
 - front of your own residence

Note: Molalla offers a Recreational Vehicle **Temporary Extended Stay Permit**



10 day rule allows time to prep for vacation or a cheaper alternative for visiting guests and family.





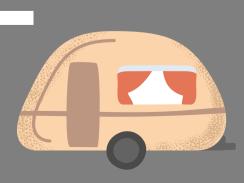
DEFINITIONS

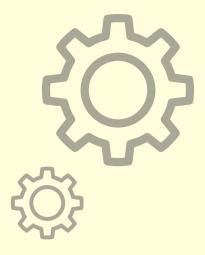


72 hours applies to an "inoperable vehicle or other motor vehicle, trailer, bus, camper, motor home, recreational vehicle, boat, or other personal property"

10 day rule applies to a "recreational vehicle, motor home or camper"

ORS defines recreational vehicle as "with or without motive power that is designed for use as temporary living quarters"











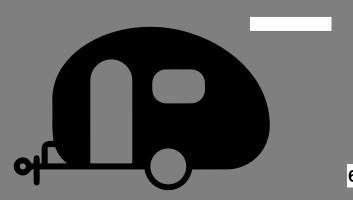
Other Cities in Clackamas County regarding campers and RV's

More restrictive: No parking any trailer, camper, mobile home, boat, motor home or other recreational vehicle on any street alley or highway for any amount of time. Other examples: Parking these vehicles on public ROVV is limited to 24, 48, 72 hours.

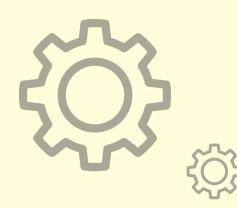




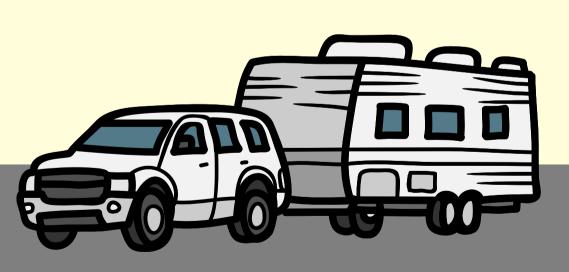


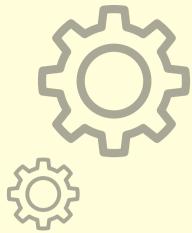


10-DAY EXCEPTION



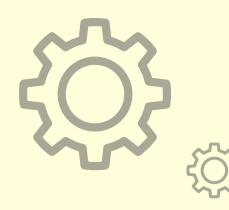
How do we know if a trailer belongs to the resident or a guest of the resident? How do we know a trailer has not moved and returned to the site without continuous monitoring? How long is one day? These are some questions that may arise while enforcing our current code language.









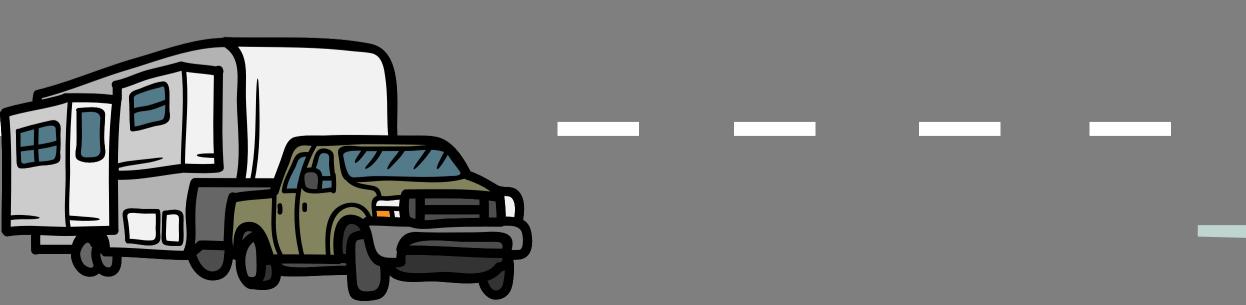


Considerations

• Currently, campers, trailers and RV's are subject to the same 72hour rule as all other vehicles.

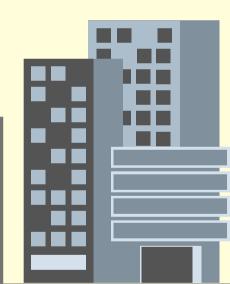
With the exception of...

"10-days per calendar year" which creates an administrative burden when enforcing RV parking





City staff can revamp the current ordinance to eliminate the administrative burden





OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The new and improved ordinance can be...

- Less restrictive
- About the same (but more enforceable)
- More restrictive



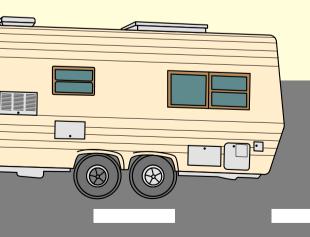
How do you think RV/Boat/Etc. parking on city streets should be regulated?

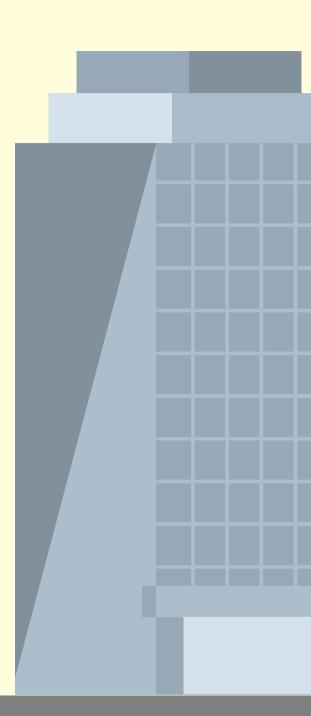
24, 48, 72 Exception if hours? Longer? parked in front Shorter? of your own residence?

Exclude "Per calendar year" language?

FEEDBACK

Should RV's and campers be off public streets entirely?

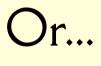


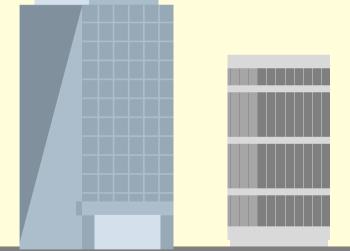




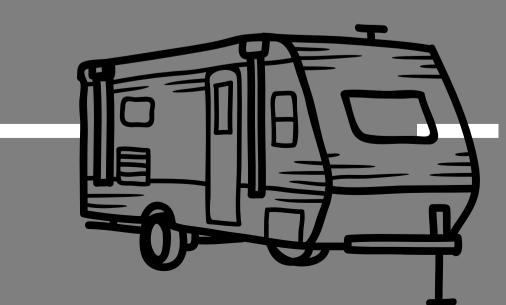
REGGNIENDATION

- Change 10-days per calendar year exception to 72-hours per instance.
- 24-hour time limit when not parked in front of your own residence.





Remove 10-day exception and make all vehicles subject to 72-hour time limit on all public streets









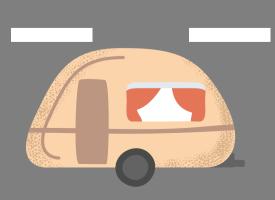


RECOMMENDED PLAN OF ACTION

1. 60 days of public outreach

- Newsletter
- Code page and social media
- Notify HOA's
- Education through complaints
- Info on temp RV stay permit

2. Ordinance review & feedback from public
3. Final ordinance & adoption







City of Molalla, OR Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Title 10. Vehicles and Traffic

Division IV. Vehicles

Chapter 10.70. TOWING AND DISPOSITION OF VEHICLES

§ 10.70.010. When a vehicle may be towed.

A vehicle may be towed and held at the expense of the owner or person entitled to possession thereof from:

- A. Any public right-of-way, public park or other public place, when:
 - 1. The vehicle is parked in violation of a temporary or permanent parking restriction;
 - 2. The vehicle is parked unlawfully or in a manner that may be hazardous to traffic;
 - 3. The vehicle is parked on City-owned or operated property without express City permission;
 - 4. The vehicle was used in committing a traffic or parking violation for which an unserved warrant or citation is on file with the Clerk of any Court;
 - 5. The vehicle has been reported stolen;
 - 6. The vehicle or its contents are to be used as evidence in traffic or criminal prosecutions;
 - 7. The vehicle is in possession of a person taken into custody by a law enforcement agency; no other reasonable disposition of the vehicle is available, and the location of the vehicle creates a public safety hazard or there is a need to protect the vehicle; or
 - 8. The vehicle is parked in a space that is marked as reserved for disabled persons unless such vehicle conspicuously displays appropriate decals, insignia, or registration plates as required by state statutes.
- B. Private property if:
 - 1. The vehicle is parked or stopped without the permission of the person in control of such property; or

2. Is parked or stopped in violation of this title or in violation of state law. (Ord. 1993-4 §1; Ord. 2019-03 §2)

§ 10.70.020. Towing without prior notice.

Any authorized officer may, without prior notice, order a vehicle towed, when:

A. The vehicle is impeding or likely to impede the normal flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic;

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- B. The vehicle is illegally parked in a conspicuously posted restricted space, zone, or traffic lane where parking is limited to designated classes of vehicles or is prohibited in excess of a designated time period, or during certain hours, or on designated days, or at any time and place the vehicle is interfering or reasonably likely to interfere with the intended use of such a space, zone, or traffic lane;
- C. The vehicle poses an immediate danger to the public safety;
- D. The vehicle is illegally parked within 10 feet of a fire hydrant;
- E. A police officer reasonably believes that the vehicle is stolen;
- F. A police officer reasonably believes that the vehicle or its contents constitute evidence of any offense, if such towing is reasonably necessary to obtain or preserve such evidence;
- G. The vehicle was in possession of a person taken into custody by a law enforcement officer, no other reasonable disposition of the vehicle is available and the location of the vehicle creates a public safety hazard or there is a need to protect the vehicle.
- (Ord. 1993-4 §1; Ord. 2019-03 §3)