

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-40

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA, 2005, PERTAINING TO
PARKING AND VEHICLES**

The Council of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia hereby ordains that the Code of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, 2005 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 11-106 of Chapter 11, Traffic Control, pertaining to Parking Rules for Specific Zoning Classifications, is hereby amended by deleting Paragraph 1 in its entirety and replacing the deleted language with the following:

1. Parking in residential districts shall, in addition to the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and Section 17-203 of the City of Lawrenceville Property Maintenance Ordinance, meet the following requirements:
 - a. No more than four vehicles, including watercraft and trailers, per dwelling unit shall be parked, stopped, standing or stored on any parcel of land. Vehicles parked inside of a carport or enclosed garage shall not be counted towards the maximum number of allowed vehicles. A waiver from the requirements of this provision may be requested, at no charge, when an applicant can show that the number of vehicles does not exceed the total number of licensed drivers in the home and that all vehicles are in operable condition. Waivers are subject to review and approval by the Director of Planning and Zoning.
 - b. All vehicles must be parked on a driveway or parking area constructed of concrete, asphalt, grasscrete, or other impervious surface, including but not limited to pavers. Any parking area shall be directly adjacent to a paved driveway.
 - c. Under no circumstances shall more than 35% of the front yard or rear yard consist of a driveway or parking area, and the remaining percentage shall be grass or landscaped areas.
 - d. It shall be unlawful for any automobile, truck, vehicle, RV, camper, watercraft or trailer of any kind or type to be parked, stopped, standing or stored in any residential district without a valid license plate attached thereto.
 - e. No person shall stop or stand any truck or bus with a body more than eight feet or 2.4384m wide or ten feet or 3.048m high on any street or public property including any parking lot for use by the general public without the driver or chauffeur being actually present and in charge thereof.
 - f. No person shall park or stand any truck camper, camper trailer, motor home, boat, boat trailer or other recreational vehicle or watercraft on any residential street or public property for more than one hour at any time during the day or night.

Section 17-105 of Chapter 17, Property Maintenance Ordinance, pertaining to Definitions, is hereby amended by deleting the following language:

11. “Junk Vehicle” means any vehicle, automobile, truck, van, trailer of any kind or type, or contrivance or part thereof, which is wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, stripped, partially stripped, inoperative, abandoned or discarded.

and replacing the deleted language with the following:

11. “Junk Vehicle” means any vehicle, automobile, truck, van, trailer of any or type, or contrivance or part thereof which is wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, stripped, partially stripped, inoperative, abandoned, discarded, or kept parked, stored or maintained on any premises or public right-of-way without a current license plate and/or decal displayed on the vehicle.

Chapter 17, Property Maintenance Ordinance, is hereby further amended by deleting Section 17-203, pertaining to Vehicles, in its entirety and replacing the deleted language with the following:

17-203 Vehicles

Capitalized terms in Subsections 1-4 of this Section shall have the same meanings given in Article VI of the City of Lawrenceville Zoning Code 2005.

1. Residential lots may have a maximum of two (2) Business Vehicles, provided that any ladders must be removed from the Business Vehicles while parked at the residence.
2. Commercial Vehicles are prohibited in all residential zoning districts.
3. Residential lots may have a maximum of two (2) Recreational Vehicle(s) provided that no such Recreational Vehicle exceeds a length of forty-five (45) feet and that each is stored or parked completely within a garage or carport, or in the side or rear yard on a driveway or parking area constructed of concrete, asphalt, grasscrete, or other impervious surface at least as wide and long as the Vehicle. Any parking area shall be directly adjacent to a paved driveway. The Recreational Vehicle may be connected to an outlet but may not be occupied. The setback for a Recreational Vehicle shall be five (5) feet on the side yard and ten (10) feet in the rear yard. A Recreational Vehicle may not be parked or stored where it would constitute a clear and demonstrable vehicular traffic hazard or be a threat to the public health or safety.

4. Residential lots may have Watercraft, provided that each Watercraft be thirty (30) feet or less in length, must be stored or parked completely within a garage or carport, or in the side or rear yard on a driveway or parking area constructed of concrete, asphalt, grasscrete, or other impervious surface at least as wide and long as the Watercraft. Any parking area shall be directly adjacent to a paved driveway. The setback for Watercraft shall be five (5) feet on the side yard and ten (10) feet in the rear yard. Watercraft may not be parked or stored where it would constitute a clear and demonstrable vehicular traffic hazard or be a threat to public health or safety.
5. Junk vehicles shall not be kept, permitted, parked, stored or maintained on any premise or public street right-of-way. Junk vehicles found to be on any public street shall be subject to immediate removal to an impound facility by an officer of the Lawrenceville Police Department.

Exceptions:

- a. Junk vehicles, which are kept within a fully enclosed building on property in residential zoning districts provided the owner or occupant of the property is in the process of reconditioning the junk vehicle for personal use;
- b. Junk vehicles which are kept on property which is properly zoned to allow for such vehicles in accordance with all requirements for the storage of such vehicles.

IT IS ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the City Council.

IT IS SO ORDAINED, this 2nd day of November, 2015.

Judy Jordan Johnson, Mayor

Attest:

Karen Pierce, City Clerk