

**CITY OF CORINTH, TEXAS  
ORDINANCE NO. 20-11-19-36**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORINTH, TEXAS AMENDING SECTION 71.07, "PARKING CERTAIN VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS", OF CHAPTER 71, "STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING", OF TITLE VII, "TRAFFIC CODE", OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SUBSECTIONS A(3)(a) AND A(3)(b) AND SECTION B, "DEFINITIONS" RELATIVE TO PARKING AND SCREENING OF CERTAIN TYPES OF VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) FOR INTENTIONAL, KNOWING, OR RECKLESS VIOLATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE, AND PROVIDING THAT A FINE MAY BE ASSESSED FOR EACH DAY THAT A VIOLATION EXISTS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Corinth, Texas is a home rule municipality located in Denton County, Texas created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas and its home rule charter; and

**WHEREAS**, proper parking of vehicles such as automobiles, trucks, campers, camper tops, recreation vehicles, travel trailers, boat trailers or boats, utility trailers or other type of trailers or vehicles on improved surfaces is necessary to avoid rodent and insect infestations, to maintain property values and aesthetics within residential areas of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to its police power, the City Council has authority to adopt ordinance that serve the public health, safety and welfare, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined it necessary to make certain amendments to various subsections of Section 71.07 "Parking Certain Vehicles In Residential Areas" of Chapter 71 of Title VII of the Code of Ordinances to provide clarification regarding the provision for parking a vehicle in an unimproved surface within the City of Corinth, to provide clarification regarding the definitions contained in this section; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Corinth to adopt the amendments to Section 71.07, "Stopping, Standing And Parking", of Title VII, "Traffic Code", of the City's Code of Ordinances as provided herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORINTH, TEXAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1.**  
**INCORPORATION OF PREMISES**

The above and foregoing recitals are found to be true and correct and are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance for all purposes.

**SECTION 2.**  
**AMENDMENT**

**2.01** That Subsections A(3)(a) and A(3)(b) of Section 71.07, “Parking Certain Vehicles In Residential Areas”, of Chapter 71, “Stopping, Standing And Parking”, of Title VII, “Traffic Code”, is hereby repealed in its entirety and a new section 71.07A(3)(a) and A(3)(b) are hereby adopted and shall be and read as follows:

**§ 71.07 – PARKING CERTAIN VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

(A)

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(3)(a) All automobiles, trucks, campers, camper tops, recreation vehicles, travel trailers, boat trailers and/or boats, utility trailers or other trailers or vehicles (collectively “Vehicle(s)”) shall only be parked or stored on an improved surface, as defined in this Section; provided however, that such Vehicle(s)s may be parked on an unimproved surface when the Vehicle(s) is:

(i) located behind the front building line of the property on which the Vehicle is located; and

(ii) screened from ordinary public view as defined in subsection (b),

(b) For purposes of this section, the term “screened from ordinary public view” shall be defined to mean located behind any type of screening as allowed by the City’s fencing and screening requirements or behind a fence authorized by the Unified Development Code (“UDC”) for Residential Areas. All screening shall be constructed per the Unified Development Code (UDC) [Section 4.02. – Fence and Screening Regulations, as amended.](#)

It shall not be a violation of this Section if a Vehicle(s) or a portion thereof is visible from a neighboring property either:

(i) above authorized screening; or

(ii) through authorized screening;

as long as the screening meets all other requirements of this Section.

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**2.02.** That Subsection B, “Definitions” of Section 71.07, “Parking Certain Vehicles In Residential Areas”, of Chapter 71, “Stopping, Standing And Parking”, of Title VII, “Traffic Code”, is hereby

amended so that the following definitions shall be and read in their entirety as follows, shall be placed in alphabetical order, and all other definitions not expressly amended below shall remain

in full force and effect without amendment:

“(B) *Definitions.* For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

**IMPROVED or PAVED SURFACE.** A surface that consists of materials other than dirt or grass such as, but not limited to, concrete, asphalt, flagstone, pavestone, etc., which is contiguous to the primary driveway, and which is comprised of material allowed within the Unified Development Code ([UDC Subsection 2.04. – Residential Zoning Districts](#), for Driveway materials. (example - Lots less than 3 acres shall have concrete driveways and lots 3 acres or more must have an all-weather surface) See definitions for all-weather surface in that section.

**RESIDENTIAL AREA.** A tract of land zoned or used for residential use as defined in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Corinth, as amended from time to time.

### **SECTION 3. CUMULATIVE REPEALER**

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other Ordinances and shall not repeal any of the provisions of such Ordinances except for those instances where there are direct conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance. Ordinances, or parts thereof, in force at the time this Ordinance shall take effect and that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Ordinance. Provided however, that any complaint, action, claim or lawsuit which has been initiated or has arisen under or pursuant to such other Ordinances on this date of adoption of this Ordinance shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such Ordinance and for that purpose the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

### **SECTION 4. PENALTY**

Any person, firm or corporation who intentionally, knowingly or recklessly violates any provision of this Ordinance or the Code of Ordinances, as amended hereby, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense, and each and every day any such offense shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

### **SECTION 5. SAVINGS**

All rights and remedies of the City of Corinth, Texas are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any other ordinance affecting fees which have secured at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the court.

**SECTION 6.  
SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of the Ordinance are severable. However, in the event this Ordinance or any procedure provided in this Ordinance becomes unlawful, or is declared or determined by a judicial, administrative or legislative authority exercising its jurisdiction to be excessive, unenforceable, void, illegal or otherwise inapplicable, in whole or in part, the remaining and lawful provisions shall be of full force and effect and the City shall promptly promulgate new revised provisions in compliance with the authority's decisions or enactment.

**SECTION 7.  
EFFECTIVE DATE**

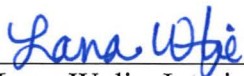
This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law. The City Secretary is directed to publish the caption of this Ordinance as required by the City Charter and state law.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORINTH,  
TEXAS on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of NOVEMBER 2020.**



Bill Heidemann, Mayor

Attest:



Lana Wylie, Interim City Secretary

Approved as to Legal Form:



Patricia A. Adams, City Attorney

