

ORDINANCE NO. 4475

ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN CAMPING AND PARKING REGULATIONS OF THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO - MENDOCINO COUNTY CODE SECTION 14.32.030 - UNLAWFUL CAMPING, SECTION 15.12.040 – PROHIBITED PARKING, AND SECTION 15.12.041 – LIMITED TIME PARKING (VARIOUS AREAS)

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino ordains as follows:

Section 1. Mendocino County Code section 14.32.030 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 14.32.030 - Unlawful Camping.

- (A) Except as provided in the MCC, it is unlawful and a public nuisance for any person to camp, or to establish, maintain, operate or occupy a camp site or camp facilities, including a recreational vehicle or motor vehicle used as camp facilities, or store or use camp paraphernalia in or upon the following areas, at any time, unless expressly authorized by the MCC:
- (1) Any public park;
 - (2) Any sidewalk;
 - (3) Any street or road;
 - (4) Any other public property not specifically mentioned in this Section;
 - (5) Any floodway;
 - (6) Any private property;
 - (7) Any beach contiguous to the Pacific Ocean;
 - (8) All that portion of the unincorporated area of Mendocino County designated as the Mendocino Historical Preservation District as described in section 20.760.01 subdivision (A) of the Mendocino County Code;
 - (9) The public right-of-way along Heeser Drive in the Town of Mendocino to the extent not covered by the preceding subsections;
 - (10) The public right-of-way on the frontage road, CR 500B, known as Brewery Gulch Road southerly of the Town of Mendocino, between mile post 0.23 and mile post 0.27;
 - (11) Any public property between US 101 and the Russian River from the Mendocino County line north to the Russian River Bridge south of Hopland.

- (12) The public right-of-way on Geysers Road between mile post 0.00 and mile post 0.64.
- (B) The prohibitions on camping identified in MCC section 14.32.030(A), (C) and (D) do not apply to:
 - (1) Camping on private residential property by friends or family of the property owner or person in lawful possession of the property, so long as the owner or lawful occupant consents, that the camping is allowed under the MCC, that it is not in a floodway, and the camping does not otherwise create a public or private nuisance; however, nothing herein shall authorize a private property owner to operate an unauthorized campground, trailer park or recreational vehicle park or grant permission to anyone to camp on their property when such conduct would violate the MCC or any other provision of law;
 - (2) Mobile home parks and special occupancy parks, licensed campgrounds, recreational vehicle parks, governmentally controlled campgrounds or County parks for which camping is specifically an authorized public use, or other locations where camping is specifically allowed under the MCC or State law;
 - (3) Camping on public or private property in connection with a special event, when authorized pursuant to any applicable County ordinance.
 - (4) Recreational or motor vehicles, except as stated in Section 14.32.030(A)(8)-(11) or (C), used as camp facilities that are legally parked occupying a space equal to the dimensions of the vehicle, and do not remain parked longer than the posted time limit, if any, or twelve (12) hours, whichever is less.
 - (5) Camping or parking of a recreational or motor vehicle, in a public park or areas therein as are expressly posted by the Park Authority, as defined in MCC Chapter 14.28, for such purpose, but only for a maximum of fourteen (14) nights; this includes but is not limited to Indian Creek Campground, in the vicinity of Philo.
 - (6) Camping in any public park or upon any ocean beach when authorized by this Code and/or State regulations.
- (C) The establishment, maintenance, operation, or occupation of a camp or camp facilities, or storage or use of camp paraphernalia, outside a vehicle is prohibited unless specifically permitted by the MCC, even when the prohibition on camping does not otherwise apply pursuant to MCC section 14.32.030(B)(4).
- (D) Establishment, maintenance, operation or occupation of permanent camp sites or camp facilities or camp paraphernalia for camping and/or attaching permanent structures to trees or other on-site fixtures and the associated use or installation of building materials, pallets, ropes, wire, fencing or

similar materials is prohibited.

Section 2. Mendocino County Code section 15.12.040 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 15.12.040 - Parking.

(A) **Prohibited Parking on County Roads.** The Road Commissioner of the County shall implement provisions prohibiting the parking or stopping of vehicles under this Chapter by placing appropriate signs or markings at the following locations:

- (1) Any place where the stopping or parking of vehicles is determined by the Road Commissioner to constitute a hazard to traffic, life or property, or any obstruction to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
- (2) On the east side of South State Street (CR 104-A) between mile post 0.82 and mile post 0.86 and on the west side of CR 104-A between mile post 0.83 and mile post 0.86.
- (3) On the south side of Simpson Lane (CR 414) between mile post 0.443 and mile post 0.546.
- (4) On both sides of North State Street (CR 104) between Orr Springs Road and Ackerman Creek Bridge, a distance of 0.19 miles.
- (5) On both sides of Low Gap Road (CR 212), between the Ukiah City Limits on the east and a point 0.15 miles westerly thereof.
- (6) On the east side of Basin Street (CR 417) between mile post 0.07 and mile post 0.32.
- (7) On the west side of Ward Avenue (CR 425B) mile post 0.90 between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- (8) On that portion of Holquist Lane (CR 412) between the Gibney Lane intersection and a point .142 miles easterly thereof.
- (9) On East Side Potter Valley Road (CR 240) between mile posts 0.87 to mile post 0.98.
- (10) On the south side of Main Street (CR 407E) in the Town of Mendocino between mile post 0.300 and mile post 0.311 (60 feet) for the purpose of a bus stop."
- (11) On the south side of Main Street in the Town of Mendocino (CR 407E) between mile post 0.257 to mile post 0.254 (20 feet) for the purpose of emergency access and attended vehicle loading.
- (12) On both sides of Center Street, CR 546, in the unincorporated Community of Gualala, between mile post 0.0 and mile post 0.06 (300 feet).

- (13) On the southerly side of Vichy Springs Road (CR 215) from the intersection of Watson Road to the easterly end of the bridge over the Russian River, between mile post 0.30 and mile post 0.35.
 - (14) On both sides of Geysers Road between mile post 0.00 and mile post 0.64 (CR 101A) between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- (B) **Prohibited Parking on State Highway.** The parking of vehicles on the State Highway is prohibited at any of the following locations, at any time:
- (1) On State Highway 01-MEN-101 from mile post 69.49 to mile post 69.58 (a section of curbs and driveways on the west side of said highway commencing one hundred fifty (150) feet north of the centerline of Branscomb Road and extending for four hundred sixty (460) feet north from that point) in the community of Laytonville.
 - (2) On U.S. Highway 101 from the Sandelin Memorial Bridge to mile post 7.26 on both sides of said highway between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
 - (3) On the north shoulder of State Route 20, from the Boatyard Drive intersection to one hundred fifty-five (155) feet east of the Boatyard Drive intersection.
- (C) **Parking on Private Property — Prohibited.** No person shall park a vehicle in a private driveway or private property without the direct or implied consent of the owner or person in lawful possession of such driveway or property.
- (D) **Angle Parking.** The Road Commissioner is hereby authorized to determine and, upon approval of the Board of Supervisors, designate those streets and portions of streets along which angle parking of vehicles will reduce parking congestion to the benefit of the public and where the surrounding conditions are such that the free movement of traffic will not be interfered with by that method of parking. The Road Commissioner is hereby directed to mark all places so designated by white lines upon the surface of the roadway, indicating the angle at which parking is permitted; provided, however, that angle parking shall not be permitted:
- (1) At any place where passing traffic would thereby be caused or required to drive upon the left side of the highway.
 - (2) Upon any street where that method or parking is prohibited by the Vehicle Code.
- (E) **Prohibited Parking on County Operated Off-Street Parking Facilities.** No person shall park, stop, or leave standing a vehicle on any County-owned or County-operated off-street parking facility except upon compliance with each of the following conditions:

- (1) Such person has been issued a valid vehicle parking permit by the Chief Executive Officer, said permit to bear the number of a particular parking space which has been properly marked.
 - (2) Such person has affixed to his vehicle parking permit so as to be clearly visible from the outside, preferably at the lower left-hand corner of the rear window.
 - (3) Said vehicle utilizes only the particular parking space or spaces whose number corresponds with the number on the permit.
- (F) Numbering Spaces and Posting Notice. The Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized and directed to post all County-owned or County-operated off-street parking facilities with the appropriate signs giving notice:
- (1) That the facility is an official County parking lot,
 - (2) That parking in the lot is by permit only,
 - (3) Vehicles parked in violation of this Chapter are subject to removal,
 - (4) That the regulations governing parking in the lot are set forth in this Chapter and
 - (5) Other information the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate.

The Chief Executive Officer is hereby further authorized and directed to properly mark, delineate, and individually number all parking spaces in each such facility.

- (G) Removal of Illegally Parked Vehicles. Any vehicle parked or left standing in violation of this Section 15.12.040 and where signs are posted giving notice of vehicle removal, may be removed upon order of any regularly employed and salaried deputy of the Mendocino County Sheriff or a member of the California Highway Patrol. Such removal may be in addition to whatever other penalties may result. The costs of removal and storing of such vehicle shall be a lien against such vehicle and a personal obligation against its owner.

Section 3. Mendocino County Code section 15.12.041 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 15.12.041 – Limited Time Parking.

- (A) The parking of vehicles shall be limited to the total time indicated at the following locations:
- (1) On the south side of Ukiah Street (CR 407C) between Lansing Street (CR 500) and Howard Street (CR 407N), one parking space shall be designated and marked by the County Department of

Transportation for short-term parking limited to twenty minutes between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. except on Sundays.

- (2) On the west side of Basin Street (CR 417) between mile post 0.09 and mile post 0.32, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m., parking shall be limited to two (2) hours.
- (3) On both sides of First Street (CR 114A) west from U.S. Highway 101 to Center Street (CR114) parking shall be limited to twenty (20) minutes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, State of California, on this 17th day of November, 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Haschak, Gjerde and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared the Ordinance passed and adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST: CARMEL J. ANGELO
Clerk of the Board

JOHN HASCHAK, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

Deputy

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS
County Counsel

BY: CARMEL J. ANGELO
Clerk of the Board

Deputy