

**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL BILL**

I request a council bill be drafted to accomplish the following:

An Ordinance to amend Section 23-428, Standing vehicle for more than forty-eight (48) hours; towing.

“No person, being the owner thereof or having in his care or custody any motor vehicle, shall abandon the same on any street, alley, public parking lot, or public place within the city, for a period longer than forty-eight (48) hours. Abandoned vehicle as used in this section shall mean: any vehicle which is disabled or cannot be driven on the city street or highways of the state for whatever reason.”

Current wording restricts the length of time abandoned vehicles (which are then defined as “disabled or cannot be driven”) can be parked in public lots. It does not currently restrict the length of time operable vehicles are in public lot and as a result, some citizens are using public parking lots for long-term storage of buses, RVs, and other vehicles.

One of two changes would solve this:

1) wording could be changed to state:

“No person, being the owner thereof or having in his care or custody any motor vehicle, operable or inoperable, shall abandon the same...” and remove the next sentence that limits the abandoned vehicle definition to mean “any vehicle which is disabled or cannot be driven...”

**OR**

2) The wording of the abandoned vehicle sentence could be changed to state: “Abandoned vehicle as used in this section shall mean: any vehicle, operable or inoperable, left unattended in a public parking lot.

Date: September 17, 2019

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Signature

This request was referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ **Committee** for their recommendation.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

The \_\_\_\_\_ **Committee** has voted in favor of / against sponsoring the above council bill.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chairperson

The attached council bill has been prepared in accordance with the above request and is ready to be included on the agenda of the next council meeting. I have sent copies to the various departments listed below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

- Street \_\_\_\_\_ CWEP \_\_\_\_\_
- Police \_\_\_\_\_ Parks \_\_\_\_\_
- Fire \_\_\_\_\_ City Admin. \_\_\_\_\_