



City of West Allis

Legislation Text

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Ordinance to amend subsection 12.20(3) of the Revised Municipal Code relative to allowing certain vehicles to be parked on residential property.

The Common Council of the City of West Allis do ordain as follows:

PART I. Legislative Findings.

WHEREAS, the public interest requires that there be regulations and restrictions established to preserve and maintain the integrity of residential zones by:

- (a) Limiting traffic congestion and noise;
- (b) Preserving aesthetic harmony;
- (c) Limiting deterioration of streets;
- (d) Ensuring the safety and peace and quiet of its residents;
- (e) Providing certainty to property owners, developers and neighbors about the limits of what is allowed in a residentially zoned area;
- (f) Protect and preserve property values; and,
- (g) Allowing for entrepreneurship to utilize property in a manner consistent with residential use.

PART II. Subsection 12.20(3) of the Revised Municipal Code of the City of West Allis is hereby amended to read:

12.20 OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS FOR SINGLE AND TWO (2) FAMILY DWELLINGS.

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(3) Types of vehicles.

- (a) Private passenger vehicles and residentially used trailers, open or enclosed, are permitted and must be on paved surfaces.
- (b) No more than one of the following types of commercial vehicles or commercial vehicle attachments are permitted per property and must be on paved surfaces (also see Section 12.17 of the RMC regarding home occupancy vehicle and business use restrictions):
 - 1. A car, minivan or sport utility vehicle (SUV);
 - 2. A pickup truck (excluding flatbeds and tow trucks) with no more than two (2) axles and four (4) wheels;
 - 3. A van, defined as a smaller (not to exceed 21 ft. in length), one-piece, boxlike vehicle that resembles a panel truck, often has double doors both at the rear and along the curb side, and that has an enclosed space to

transport cargo or passengers, or is equipped with living quarters for traveling and camping; with no more than two (2) axles and four (4) wheels;

4. A trailer, defined as an enclosed non-motorized vehicle designed to be pulled by an automobile or truck, and not to exceed 12 ft. in length; or,

5. Snow plows attached to a vehicle between the dates of November 1st and May 1st.

(c) The following restrictions shall be placed on off-street parking of vehicles and vehicle attachments:

1. Pickup trucks, vans, or trailers are permitted to have a rooftop rack.

2. Vehicles or vehicle attachments may not contain visible bulk refuse, construction waste, garbage, hazardous waste, infectious waste, refuse, rubbish, or solid waste, as defined in Section 7.05(1).

3. Loading and/or unloading of materials onto and/or off of commercial vehicles shall not be permitted.

4. Commercial vehicles or vehicle attachments shall not be parked in the required front yard set back as stated in each residential zoning district.

(d) This section shall not prohibit the temporary parking of commercial vehicles while they are being used to perform a service or make deliveries at the location where parked.

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PART III. All ordinances or parts of ordinance contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

PART IV. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

cc: Department of Development
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