



Staff Report

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Sean Thuilliez, Chief of Police
DATE: June 2, 2020
SUBJECT: Amendment to City of Beaumont Municipal Code Chapter 10 Section 12 – Parking Commercial Vehicles

Background and Analysis:

In September 2009, a municipal code was enacted to govern the parking of commercial vehicles within the City of Beaumont. Chapter 10, Section 12, “Commercial Vehicles” are defined as “any dray, truck, wagon, cart, automobile or other traffic vehicle carrying or used in transporting goods, merchandise, lumber, machinery, oil, dirt or any article of trade or commerce.”

With few exceptions, parking of commercial vehicles within any school or residential district is prohibited. This is to protect roads from damage that heavy commercial vehicles cause and also to maintain the integrity of residential districts by prohibiting the use of commercial vehicles at home businesses. Commercial vehicles in residential zones also pose safety concerns with regard to road access and visibility around these vehicles for other drivers.

Exceptions include, the delivery of goods, wares, or merchandise; parking on designated truck routes up to a two-hour period; when servicing residential properties or vehicles operated by government agencies; servicing public and private utilities, or licensed contractors engaged in the installation or maintenance of any utility or roadway.

The City of Beaumont Municipal Code Section 10.12.040 - “Permits” currently allows the ability to apply for an exemption under the authority of the Chief of Police. This authority is not consistent with other cities and is not in line with current industry standards. Staff recommends that this section be removed in its entirety, and amend the remainder of the code section to remove any such exemption references.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact.

Recommended Action:

Hold a Public Hearing, and

Waive the full first reading and approve by title only. "An Ordinance of the City of Beaumont Amending and Restating Chapter 10.12 of the Beaumont Municipal Code Entitled 'Parking Commercial Vehicles' and Making Findings Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act."

Attachments:

- A. Proposed Amendments to Beaumont Municipal Code 10.12