

## **ORDINANCE NO. 866**

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DYERSVILLE, IOWA, AMENDING CHAPTER 69 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD SUBCHAPTER 69.13, REGULATING THE PARKING OF TRAILERS, BOATS, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, CAMPERS, INOPERABLE VEHICLES, SEMIS, SEMI-TRAILERS, AND UNATTENDED VEHICLES IN CITY-OWNED PARKING LOTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersville recognizes the need to regulate the parking of trailers, boats, recreational vehicles, campers, inoperable vehicles, semis, and semi-trailers in city-owned parking lots to ensure the availability of parking spaces for the general public; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersville aims to maintain the safety and orderliness of public parking areas; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersville seeks to prevent the long-term parking of unattended vehicles in city-owned parking lots; and,

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DYERSVILLE, IOWA:**

**Section 1.** Chapter 69 of the municipal ordinances of the City of Dyersville, Iowa is hereby amended to add subchapter 69.13 as follows:

#### **69.13 Regulating Parking in City-Owned Parking Lots.**

**Section 1. Definitions.** For the purposes of this ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

- *Trailer* means any vehicle without motive power designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle.
- *Boat* means any vessel designed for navigation on water.
- *Recreational vehicle* means a motor vehicle or trailer which includes living quarters designed for accommodation.
- *Camper* means a motor vehicle or trailer equipped with living quarters.
- *Inoperable vehicle* means any vehicle that is not in a condition to be legally operated on public roads.
- *Semi* means a truck tractor.

- *Semi-trailer* means a trailer designed for use with a semi.

**Section 2. Prohibited Parking.** No person shall stand or park any trailer, boat, recreational vehicle, camper, inoperable vehicle, semi, or semi-trailer in any city-owned parking lot, except as provided in Section 3 of this ordinance.

**Section 3. Exceptions.** The following exceptions shall apply to the prohibition in Section 2:

- The Police Chief and City Administrator may grant temporary parking for trailers, boats, recreational vehicles, campers, inoperable vehicles, semis, and semi-trailers in designated areas, provided that such parking does not exceed a period of thirty (30) calendar days.
- Trailers, boats, recreational vehicles, campers, inoperable vehicles, semis, and semi-trailers may be parked in city-owned parking lots for the purpose of loading or unloading goods or materials, provided that such parking does not exceed a period of two (2) hours in twenty-four (24) hours.

**Section 4. Unattended Vehicles.**

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit an unattended vehicle to stand or park in or about within a city-owned parking lot for twenty-four (24) hours or more without such vehicle being moved.
- B. The Police Chief or their designee, upon initiative or upon complaint, may take into custody any vehicle standing or parking in violation of this ordinance.
- C. Upon evidence that the vehicle has been parked within a city-owned parking lot for more than twenty-four (24) hours without being moved, the Police Chief or their designee shall issue a fine. If such vehicle has not been moved within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the fine, or if there is evidence that the vehicle has been parked for more than forty-eight (48) hours before receiving the fine, the Police Chief or their designee may cause removal of the vehicle. When conditions permit, the Police Chief or their designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the last registered owner of the vehicle before summarily removing the vehicle.

**Section 5. Enforcement.** The City of Dyersville shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this ordinance. Any trailer, boat, recreational vehicle, camper, inoperable vehicle, semi, semi-trailer, or unattended vehicles parked in violation of this ordinance may be subject to towing and impoundment at the owner's expense.

**Section 6. Penalties.** Subchapter 70.03 of the municipal ordinances of the City of Dyersville, Iowa is hereby amended to add Subchapter 70.03(11): City Owned Parking Lot. Any person who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00 for each violation.

**Section 7.** If any of the provisions of this ordinance are for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions, and those remaining portions shall be and remain in full force and effect.

**Section 8.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect following passage and publication of this Ordinance as provided by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Jeff Jacque, Mayor

Attest:

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Tricia L. Maiers, City Clerk