

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS TO CHAPTER 69 PARKING REGULATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Independence, Iowa:

Section 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.08, Subsection 8, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

8. Third Street NE, on the south side, from Eighth Avenue NE to Eighteenth Avenue NE.

Section 2. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.09 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.09 ALL NIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED.

1. All Night Parking Prohibited. No person, except physicians or other persons on emergency calls, shall park a vehicle on any of the following named streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])

A. First Street East, on both sides, from Fourth Avenue NE to First Street bridge.

~~2. Parking Prohibited. No person, except physicians or other persons on emergency calls, shall park a vehicle on any of the following named streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day during the period from November 15th through April 1st.~~

B. Second Street NE, on both sides, from Second Avenue NE to Fifth Avenue.

C. Fourth Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

D. Fourth Avenue SE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

E. Second Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Third Street.

F. Third Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

Section 3. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.11 of the code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.11 TWO-HOUR PARKING ZONES. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for a continuous period of time in excess of two hours in any of the following designated two-hour parking zones:

1. First Street East, on both sides, from Fourth Avenue NE to First Street bridge.

2. Second Street NE, on both sides, from Second Avenue NE to Fifth Avenue.

3. Fourth Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

4. Fourth Avenue SE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

5. Second Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Third Street.

6. Third Avenue NE, on both sides, from First Street to Second Street.

Section 4. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.15 NORTH CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT A) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the North City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. Prohibited Parking. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in the North City parking lot.

2. Seventy-Two Hour Limit. No vehicle shall be parked in the North City parking lot for a continuous period of time for more than 72 hours, except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.

3. Angle Parking. All vehicles in the North City parking lot shall be parked at an angle as indicated by markings or signs.

4. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.

Section 5. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.16 SOUTH CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT B) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the South City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. Angle Parking. All vehicles shall be parked at an angle as indicated by markings or signs.
2. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.
3. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.

Section 6. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.17 EAST CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT C) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the East City parking lot in violation of the following regulation:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 7. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.18 CITY HALL BLOCK PARKING LOT. (LOT D) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the City Hall block parking lots between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except as hereinafter provided:

1. Vehicles either owned by or used by City employees or volunteer fire fighters shall be allowed to park during said time only if said persons are in the performance of City business.
2. Vehicles owned by tenants of the apartment building directly adjacent to said lot shall be allowed to park only if the landlord has provided the Police Department with the license number of the vehicle owned by the tenant. It shall be the sole responsibility of the landlord to keep current, in the Police Department, those license plate numbers. Furthermore, only one vehicle per lease shall be allowed to park in said lot.
3. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
4. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

The City Hall block parking lots are the lots directly adjacent to City Hall, on either side, and also the lot running perpendicular to City Hall.

Section 8. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.19 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.19 BRIMMER PARK CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT E) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Brimmer Park City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.

3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 9. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.20 CENTRAL CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT F) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Central City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 10. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.21 NORTHEAST CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT G) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Northeast City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 11. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.26 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.26 SOUTHEAST CITY PARKING LOT. (LOT H) It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Southeast City parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., except those parked in assigned parking spaces where signage is present for downtown housing purposes, and a valid permit issued by the Police Department is present on the vehicle.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 12. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.27 FALCON CIVIC CENTER PARKING LOT. It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Falcon Civic Center parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 13. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.28 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.28 RIVERS EDGE PARKING LOT. It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Rivers Edge parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.

Section 14. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.29 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.29 BOAT DOCK PARKING LOT. It is unlawful to park any vehicle in the Boat Dock parking lot in violation of the following regulations:

1. No vehicle shall be parked in such lot between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.
2. All vehicles in the lot shall be parked as indicated by markings or signs.
3. No vehicle weighing more than four tons shall be parked in a City parking lot.
4. No vehicle shall park at river access points where loading and unloading of watercraft is designated.

Section 15. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 69.30 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

69.30 EMERGENCY PARKING/LOADING ZONES – MAY BE DESIGNATED. The City Council may from time to time designate by ordinance the location of emergency parking or loading zones within any given street. In such emergency parking/loading zones parking is limited to ten (10) minutes.

1. From the intersection of 1st St First Street E and 4th Ave Fourth Avenue NE on the east side going north to the first driveway to the east.

(Section 69.30 – Ord. 2022-560 – Sep. 22 Supp.)

Section 16. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 17. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 18. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of Independence, Iowa, on this ____ day of _____ 2025.

Brad Bleichner, Mayor of the City of Independence, IA

ATTEST:

Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO,
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 2025-____ on the _____ day of _____ 2025.

Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO,
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA