ORDINANCE NO. 20-03
CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 46
OF THE FALCON HEIGHTS CITY CODE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF FALCON HEIGHTS ORDAINS:

SECTION 1 Section 46-27 is amended as follows. Additions are shown with an underline, and deletions are shown with a strikethrough.

Sec. 46-27 - Parking; restrictions; uniform parking fine

(a) Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Passenger vehicle means a passenger automobile, pickup truck, van, and motorcycle.

Recreational vehicle means travel trailers including those that telescope or fold down, chassis-mounted campers, motor homes, tent trailers, and converted buses that provide temporary human living quarters. Recreational vehicle is a vehicle that is not used as the residence of the owner or occupant, is used while engaged in recreational or vacation activities, and is either self-propelled or towed on the highways incidental to the recreational or vacation activities.

Street or public grounds means all public streets, highways, roads, alleys, lanes and park roads in the city and all public property in the city, whether owned by the city or some other public entity.

Trailer means any vehicle designed for carrying property or passengers on its own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle.

Truck means every motor vehicle designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

Unlawfully parked vehicle means any vehicle that is unlawfully parked, abandoned or left unattended upon the streets or public grounds of the city in violation of state laws or this Code.

Vehicle means any motor passenger vehicle, recreational vehicle, trailer, truck, van or other vehicle used or intended to be used for the transportation of persons or property, including all property or cargo located within, loaded upon or attached to any such vehicle.
Restrictions on parking of vehicles.

1. No recreational vehicle, truck, unhitched trailer, bus or school bus shall be parked on any street or public grounds within the city for an additional time than is necessary to load or unload such recreational vehicle, truck, unhitched trailer, bus or school bus, not exceeding 90 minutes.

2. No vehicle shall be parked on any alley within the city except for normal pickup and delivery of passengers or commercial goods, not exceeding 30 minutes.

3. No passenger vehicle or hitched trailer in combination with a passenger vehicle shall be parked on any street or public grounds within the city for more than 48 consecutive hours.

4. No vehicle shall be parked on any street or public ground that has been designated a "No Parking" area or an area where parking has been restricted to certain hours or days, by motion or resolution of the city council, and posted as such.

5. No vehicle shall be parked on any boulevard within the city.

6. No person shall park a vehicle, except an authorized emergency vehicle, within an area designated a fire lane.

7. No vehicle shall be parked on any street or public grounds in front of a public or private driveway or alley or within five feet of any public or private driveway or alley without permission of the owner of the driveway or his or her agent.

8. No vehicle shall be parked on any public or private property, including commercial property, without the express or implied consent of the property owner or his or her agent and shall not remain parked in violation of the terms of such consent. The terms of such consent may be posted in a conspicuous place by the owner or his or her agent.

9. No vehicle shall be parked on any city street during snow removal, as described in section 46-28 (refer to section 46-5).

Uniform parking fine. There is hereby established a uniform fine of $35.00 for each violation of any provisions of this section regulating the parking of motor vehicles within the city. The fine established by this section shall be imposed regardless of the time of the year a violation.

SECTION 2 Section 46-28 is amended as follows. Additions are shown with an underline, and deletions are shown with a strikethrough.

Sec. 46-28 - Parking of motor vehicles during snow removal periods

(a) Purpose and policy. The purpose of this section is to regulate the parking of motor vehicles on the public streets of the city during periods of snow removal. Any motor vehicle parked on a public street of this city during a period of snow removal, as specified in detail herein, is declared to be a public nuisance which interferes with and impedes the orderly removal of snow from said streets, interferes with and impedes the safe movement of emergency and other vehicular traffic, and is thus a danger to the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of this city.

(b) Parking restrictions during snow removal. Parking of a motor vehicle on an unplowed public street or within 30 feet of an intersection during a snow removal period shall be prohibited. The term "snow removal period" means:
1. For a maximum of 72-48 hours commencing after a snowfall where at least two inches of snow has accumulated on the public streets of this city, or
2. Until a street has been plowed full-width snow plowing has been completed on each street, whichever comes first.

(c) A snow removal period is in effect if section 46-28(b)(2) has been satisfied and an additional two inches or more of snow falls during the same storm event.

SECTION 3 This ordinance shall be effective upon its passage and a summary published in the official newspaper.

ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2020, by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota.

Moved by:      Approved by: ________________________
Randall Gustafson
Mayor

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