



CITY of POOLER
GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA }
 }
COUNTY OF CHATHAM }

ORDINANCE O2024-09.B

Parking Regulations

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF POOLER CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 82 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE II – STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 39- RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD AND SUBDIVISION RESTRICTIONS, SECTION 41- SAME-PENALTIES AND SECTION 45- PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES TO ADD LANGUAGE RELATED TO PARKING VIOLATIONS; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Pooler that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pooler, Georgia are hereby amended as follows:

I

That CHAPTER 82 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE II. STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 39- RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD AND SUBDIVISION RESTRICTIONS be amended by adding the text as follows:

Sec. 82-39. - Residential neighborhood and subdivision restrictions.

- (a) It shall be unlawful to park any bus, motor home, bimodal semitrailer, semitrailer, trailer, truck tractor or combination of such vehicles on any street or right-of-way in residentially zoned neighborhoods or subdivisions, except for the purpose of delivering or receiving goods to an adjacent residence and provided such vehicle is not parked longer than one hour in duration. This subsection shall not apply to any such vehicle which is present for the purpose of moving household goods in/out of a nearby property, provided the vehicle is being actively used for moving.
- (b) Any person who parks, places, or permits a bus, motor home, bimodal semitrailer, semitrailer, trailer, truck tractor or combination of such vehicles, to be parked for a period in excess of one hour in violation of subsection (a), may be fined and/or subject to the vehicle being removed by a City approved tow service at the owner’s expense, and upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 1-12.
- (c) ~~(b)~~"Bimodal semitrailer," "semitrailer," "trailer," "truck tractor" or "combination of vehicles" for the purpose of this section shall have the same meanings as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 32-6-24.

II

That CHAPTER 82 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE II. STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 41- SAME-PENALTIES be amended by deleting the strikethrough text and adding the underlined text as follows:

Sec. 82-416. - Same—Penalties.

- (a) Any person who violates the terms of this ~~section 82-40~~ article shall be cited to appear before the municipal court or other court of appropriate jurisdiction and, upon conviction, punished as provided in the Code of Pooler, Georgia.
- (b) In addition to enforcing sanctions against the operator, any violation of this article shall be charged against the registered owner of the vehicle, and all fines and penalties shall be levied against the registered owner of the vehicle as follows:
 - (1) For the first offense, a fine of not to exceed \$200.00;
 - (2) For the second offense committed within one year of conviction for a first offense, a fine of not to exceed \$500.00; and
 - (3) For a third offense committed within one year of conviction for a second offense for a vehicle, a fine of not to exceed \$1,000.00, and if a motorized cart, the registered owner's motorized cart city registration shall be revoked. The registered owner cannot thereafter register a motorized cart for use in the city for a period of two years following the third conviction. Additionally, such person shall be prohibited from operating a motorized cart or personal transportation vehicle on the public roads, recreation paths, rights-of-way, or other public property for a period of two years.
- (c) Any violation by an operator of a ~~low-speed~~ vehicle shall be charged against the operator according to the provisions of O.C.G.A. tit. 40 and this Code. Any violation by an owner of a ~~low-speed~~ vehicle shall be charged against the owner according to the provisions of O.C.G.A. tit. 40 and this Code.
- ~~(d) Any violation by and operator of a personal transportation vehicle, EPAMD, or other motor vehicle may be charged against the operator according to this Code or according to the provisions of O.C.G.A. tit. 40.~~

III

That CHAPTER 82 – TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, ARTICLE II. STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING, SECTION 45-PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES be amended by deleting the strikethrough text and adding the underlined text as follows:

Section 82-45. Parking of Commercial Vehicles.

- (a) It shall be unlawful to park a commercial vehicle, including but not limited to, any bimodal semitrailer, semitrailer, trailer, truck tractor, or combination of such vehicles, in or upon parcels of land designated as a commercial use, for a period in excess of ~~two hours, unless such commercial vehicle is directly associated with the operation or management of the property.~~
- (b) Any person who parks, places, or permits a commercial vehicle to be parked for a period in excess of two hours in violation of subsection (a), ~~shall,~~ may be fined and/or subject to the vehicle being removed by a City approved tow service at the owner's expense, and upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 1-12.

IV

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the ordinance are hereby repealed.

V

If any section, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

VI

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of Pooler, Georgia.

FIRST READING: 2ND day of DEC, 2024
SECOND READING: 16TH day of DEC, 2024
ADOPTED: 16TH day of DEC, 2024

CITY OF POOLER, GEORGIA

Karen L. Williams
Karen L. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kiley Fusco
Kiley Fusco, Clerk of Council

