



WARRENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY COMMISSION DISCUSSION



RV Ordinance Suggestions

After reviewing the ordinances from several cities, reviewing the guidance you provided during the work session, and considering factors relating to our community (citizens, lifestyles, tourism, recreation, etc.) I worked to create meaningful changes and suggestions. The following are the changes for your review and editing.

Definition

- For the purposes of this ordinance, we maintain the “Recreational Vehicle” and “Recreation Vehicle Park” definition used in Code 16.12.010:
 - **Recreational Vehicle.** *A vehicle which is (1) built on a single chassis; (2) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection; (3) designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and (4) designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.*
 - **Recreational Vehicle Park.** *Two or more RV’s and as defined by and must meet all requirements under Code 16.176 “Recreational Vehicle Park Design Standards.”*

Location

- Must not park an RV in front of a residence either on the street or in the residential property where RV blocks the view of the residence, unless the RV is fully in a driveway and does not block a sidewalk or create a vision obstruction.
- Must not park in any City Right-of-Way without first obtaining a Permit to use that Right-of-Way. Even with a valid City Right-of-Way permit, you cannot use an RV as a dwelling or sleeping unless you meet the other requirements of this ordinance.
- No electrical cords or waterlines can be run over City sidewalks or to any RV temporary parked on a City Street or Right-of-Way. Sewage/gray water hose cannot be used unless they are attached to a properly inspected and approved connection to the City Sewage System.
- Location restrictions can be adjusted if you are doing construction, demolishing, remodeling, or reconstruction but only with a City Permit. This is valid for up to 6-months or until the project is complete, whichever is less, or must re-apply for another permit. The use of the RV must be in conjunction with the project and not used for visitors or otherwise.

Time

- Permits can be issued for 2, 7, 15, 30-days, or 6-months (construction/remodeling only)
- Permit rules:
 - 2-day permits cannot exceed a total of 4-days in any 30-day period.
 - 7-day permits can be granted once every 30-days.
 - 15-day permits can be granted once every 60-days.
 - 30-day permits can be granted once every 120-days.
 - No permit-stacking, other than the 2-day permits, you can only get one permit in any 30-day period.

Fees

- 2-day permits: Free “*The Weekender*”

- 7-day permit: \$30
- 15-day permits: \$60
- 30-day permits: \$75
- 6-month permits: \$300

Rentals

- RV's cannot be used as a rental dwelling, short-term accessory rental, a leased dwelling, Air BNB, or any other short-term residence with a fee. The owner of the RV can be assessed the fine associated with this ordinance.

Fines

- Not having a proper permit or violating the terms of a permit, \$100/a day.
- Improper discharge from an RV or dumping, \$300/a day
- Over 2 RV's on a site that does not meet RV Park requirements, \$300/a day.