

ORDINANCE NO. 1411

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR PLACEMENT OF
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT WITHIN
THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WEIR, KANSAS.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WEIR,
KANSAS:**

Section 1. **Statement of Purpose.** The purpose of this ordinance is to establish guidelines for the placement of recreational vehicles and recreational equipment within the city limits of the City of Weir, Kansas.

Section 2. **Definitions:** As used in this ordinance:

(a) **“Camper trailer (pop up)”** means a structure designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, constructed with integral wheels to make it mobile and/or towable by a motor vehicle, not to exceed 24 feet in length and five feet six inches in height in a collapsed condition.

(b) **“Camping bus”** means a self-propelled vehicle designed and built as a bus, which has been designed with or converted into a portable dwelling used for recreation.

(c) **“Hauling trailer”** means a light-duty utility trailer intended for residential use including open-bed small trailers designed to be towed behind a car or truck.

(d) **“Motor home”** means a portable dwelling designed and constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle used for recreation.

(e) **“Permanent parking”** means parking on the permanent driveway or on a pad, or in the yard of any of the described recreational vehicles or recreational equipment for a period of greater than 72 hours.

(f) **“Pickup truck camper”** means a structure designed primarily to be mounted on a pickup truck chassis and with sufficient equipment to render it suitable for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation or vacation use.

(g) **“Recreational equipment”** means that which an occupant or owner may desire for convenience to store on his lot, but which item is normally and principally transported for use off the lot on a trailer or other vehicle and which is not used by the very nature and utility of the item in connection with customary accessory residential uses of the lot. Included in the meaning of recreational equipment are such large items as slide-in campers, boat trailers, hang gliders, ski jets, houseboats, pontoons, and boats over 14 feet in length which require a trailer for transportation.

(h) **“Recreational vehicle”** means a vehicular type unit built on or for use on a chassis and designed as living quarters, both permanent and temporary, for recreational, camping, and travel use, and which has its own motor power, or is mounted on, or which can be drawn or hauled by another vehicle. The term “recreational vehicle” shall include, but not be limited to motor homes, travel trailers, camper trailers, pickup truck campers, hauling trailers, and camper buses.

(i) **“Slide in camper”** means a structure designed to be mounted temporarily or permanently in the bed of a pickup or light truck to provide enclosed storage space for transportation of property or quarters for recreational camping, including shells and truck cabs.

(j) **“Travel trailer”** means a structure, not to exceed nine feet in width, designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, constructed with integral wheels to make it mobile and/or towable by a motor vehicle.

Section 3. **General requirements.**

Recreational vehicles and recreational equipment may be stored within an enclosed structure (which structure otherwise conforms to the zoning requirements of the City), or may be permanently parked in the side or rear yard of the private property. The recreational vehicle or recreational equipment shall not be parked within ten (10) feet of any curblineline or roadway or within fifty (50) feet of an existing structure on adjoining property.

Section 4. **Right of way; visibility**

Recreational vehicles and recreational equipment shall not intrude into a right-of-way or access easement or obstruct sight visibility from adjacent driveway. Recreational vehicles and recreational equipment shall not be parked in a waterfront building setback, on slopes greater than 15 percent, in designated open spaces or recreational areas, in sensitive areas, in sensitive area buffers, or in floodways.

Section 5. **Appearance of recreational vehicles and recreational equipment**

Recreational vehicles and recreational equipment shall be operable and maintained in a clean, well-kept state that does not detract from the appearance of the surrounding area.

Section 6. **Prohibited parking**

Recreational vehicles or recreational equipment shall not be parked on a public street or right of way for a period longer than 24 consecutive hours. Light trucks having a slide-in camper not extending over the top of or wider than the truck cab may park upon those streets where vehicle parking is otherwise permitted.

Section 7. Habitation Generally Disallowed

Except as allowed by Section 8, at no time shall a permanently or temporarily parked or stored recreational vehicle or item of recreational equipment be occupied or used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping purposes.

Section 8. Habitation Allowed, Conditions

A recreational vehicle may be occupied or used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping purposes if:

- a. the recreational vehicle is set on an appropriate concrete slab that is rebar enforced;
- b. the recreational vehicle is no more than ten (10) years old, or approved by the Weir City Council; and
- c. the recreational vehicle is hooked up to its own individual and separate city electric, water and sewage. Such connections must be available for inspection during regular business hours by the Building Official or designated agent.

Section 9. Violation of ordinance

a. A person violating this Ordinance for the first time shall pay a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), plus court costs.

b. A person violating this Ordinance for the second time shall pay a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), plus court costs.

c. A person violating this Ordinance for the third time shall pay a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), plus court costs.

d. A person violating this Ordinance for the fourth or subsequent time is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or to both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

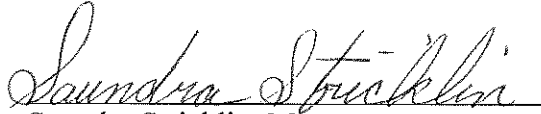
Section 10. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.

That all ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the terms of this ordinance be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

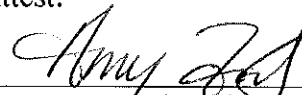
Section 11. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its adoption and publication in the official city newspaper.

Adopted and Approved by the City Council of Weir, Kansas this 14th day of February, 2011.


Sandra Stricklin, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest:

Amy Zortz, City Clerk

