

**CITY OF NEWPORT
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Ordinance No. 2017-8

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32 (TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES), SECTION 32-29
OF THE NEWPORT CODE**

Sec. 32-39. - Residential zones.

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

Recreational equipment includes, but is not limited to, operable and licensed, as required by the state, travel trailers, chassis-mounted campers, tent trailers, slide-in campers, airplanes, and converted buses; snowmobiles and trailers, boats/watercraft and trailers, all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles and utility trailers. A fish house, boat, snowmobile or other recreational equipment when stored or kept on a trailer shall be considered as one unit. The term "recreational equipment" does not include a motor vehicle designed or used for off-road racing, off-road use or demolition derby.

Residential zone means all areas zoned for residential uses (R-1, R-1-A, R-2, R-3 & RE) and Planned Development District (PDD) areas in the city.

(b) *Truck or bus parking in residential zones.* No person shall park, stop, or stand any vehicle licensed by any state at over 12,000 pounds for more than two hours upon any private property or public street in a residential zone. Parking, either on-street or off-street, of vehicles licensed by any state at over 12,000 pounds, except for deliveries and unloading, shall be prohibited in all residential districts on lots less than two acres in size.

(c) *Equipment.* No person shall park, stop, or stand any trailer that weighs over 10,000 pounds (lbs), back-hoe, front-end loader, bobcat, grader, asphalt paver, asphalt roller, or related road machinery or equipment for more than 24 hours upon any private property or public street in a residential zone, except as permitted under subsection (d) of this section. No more than one such vehicle or piece of equipment shall be allowed on a single parcel of property.

(d) *Construction parking.* In the event building construction or grading is to be performed in a residential zone, the clerk-administrator may grant permission for parking equipment restricted under subsection (c) of this section upon the premises for a reasonable period of time during construction. The permission shall be in writing, provided that the permission may at the clerk-administrator's discretion be endorsed on the building permit issued for the construction.

(e) *Exemption for large parcels.* The provisions of this section shall not apply to parcels of two acres or greater, provided that such parcels may not be used as rental vehicle or equipment parking space. In addition, any vehicle permitted under this exemption shall be screened from view from any adjacent lot

by trees, fencing, or a storage building as permitted by the underlying zoning requirements. In no case shall any vehicle permitted under this exemption be parked closer than 40 feet from any adjacent property line.

(f) *Exemption for recreational vehicles.* The provisions of this section shall not apply to recreational vehicles.

(g) *Conditions and restrictions.* The city council may grant the privilege of truck parking in areas zoned for planned development district in the required conditional use permit for planned development districts, subject to conditions and restrictions as to truck use of the area.

(h) *Recreational equipment storage.*

(1) *Generally.* Except as provided or as specifically allowed within the specific zoning districts, all materials and equipment shall be stored within a building.

(2) *Exceptions.* Licensed and operable recreational equipment units may be parked or stored on property outside a building as follows:

- a. In the front yard, provided they are kept on an established driveway, and entirely on the equipment or vehicle owner's property. Recreational equipment may not be parked or stored on public property or an improved street right-of-way.
- b. In the side yard abutting an attached or detached garage provided the recreational equipment is not closer than two feet from the side lot line. The area must be surfaced with asphalt, concrete or crushed decorative rock but shall not be placed within drainage and utility easements unless approved by the zoning administrator. Parking or storage of recreational equipment on the side yard abutting the principal building is prohibited.
- c. In the rear yard not closer than five feet from the rear lot line, five feet from the side lot lines, and not within drainage and utility easements.
- d. A property can only store recreational vehicles and equipment that are registered to or licensed by the owner or occupant of the property.

The foregoing Ordinance was moved by Councilmember Sumner and seconded by Councilmember Chapdelaine.

VOTE:	Rahm	<u>Absent</u>
	Chapdelaine	<u>Aye</u>
	Lund	<u>Aye</u>
	Sumner	<u>Aye</u>
	Johnson	<u>Absent</u>

Effective Date

This Ordinance becomes effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Newport, Minnesota on the 21st day of December, 2017.

Attest: Debra Hill
Deb Hill, City Administrator

Signed: Dan Lund
Dan Lund, Mayor