

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TOWING AWAY OF ANY ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLE; REDEMPTION AND CHARGES THEREFORE, AND PROVIDING FOR THE TOWING AWAY OF ANY ABANDONED VEHICLE, REDEMPTION, AND CHARGES THEREFORE, REPEALING ORDINANCES OR PROVISIONS, WITH A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSSELL-VILLE THAT:

SECTION 1. Towing Away illegally Parked Cars.

(a) All members of the police department are hereby authorized to remove and tow away, or have removed and towed away by commercial towing service, any vehicle illegally parked in any place where such parked vehicle creates or constitutes a traffic hazard, blocks the use of a fire hydrant, or obstructs, or may obstruct, the movement of any emergency vehicle.

(b) Any vehicle parked on any street when parking thereon is prohibited may also be removed and towed away as herein provided.

SECTION 2. Towing Away Abandoned Cars.

(a) When a motor vehicle or other vehicle is abandoned on a highway in the city ten hours or more, its removal by the City or by a towing service may be authorized by order of the Chief of Police of the city.

(b) When an abandoned, unattended, wrecked, burned, or partially dismantled motor vehicle or other vehicle is creating a traffic hazard because of its position in relation to the highway or its physical appearance is causing the impeding of traffic, its immediate removal from the highway by the City Police Department or by a towing service may be authorized by order of the Chief of Police of the city.

SECTION 3. Charges For Towing And Storage.

Cars so towed away under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be stored in a safe place and may be redeemed by, and shall be restored to the owner or operator of such car, upon payment of a fee of 30.00 dollars within twenty-four hours after the time such car was removed, plus 5.00 dollars for each additional twenty-four hours or fraction thereof if towed or stored by the City or by paying all actual charges of towing and storage if towed or stored by anyone else.

SECTION 4. Records

When a vehicle is authorized to be towed away, the police department shall keep and maintain a record of the vehicle towed, listing the color, year of manufacture, manufacturer's trade name, manufacturer's series name, body style, vehicle identification number, and license plate year and number displayed on the vehicle. The record shall also include the date and hour of tow, location towed from, located towed to, reason for towing and the name of the officer authorizing the tow.

SECTION 5. Repealer And Severability Clauses

(a) Any previous Ordinance or regulation of the City in conflict herewith is hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict, and this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

(b) The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and in the event any provisions hereof is or becomes invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of any other

provision hereof,

ADOPTED by roll call vote, this 18th day of May, 1982.

AYES:

NAYS

ABSTAINING

ABSENT

Ken Campbell

Billy R. Parrish

Willie Hampton

Gary Woodlee

Keith Fruits

Everett Daniel



MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK