

ORDINANCE NO. 52-1988

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS AS SET OUT BELOW; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING A PENALTY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That Chapter 18, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", of the Abilene Municipal Code be amended as set out in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part of this ordinance for all purposes.

PART 2: That if any provisions or any section of this ordinance shall be held to be void or unconstitutional, such holding shall in no way effect the validity of the remaining provisions or sections of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

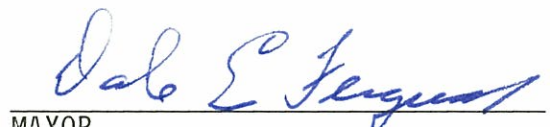
PART 3: That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each day such violation shall continue or be permitted to continue, shall be deemed a separate offense. Said Ordinance, being a penal ordinance, becomes effective ten (10) days after its publication in the newspaper, as provided by Section 19 of the Charter of the City of Abilene.

PASSED ON FIRST READING this 22nd day of September, A.D., 1988.

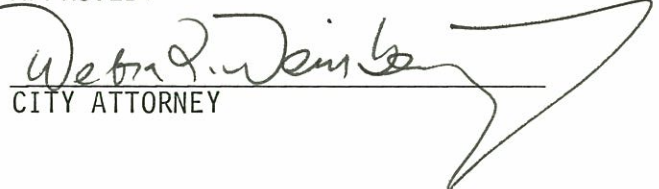
PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 10th day of November, A.D., 1988.

ATTEST:

  
CITY SECRETARY

  
MAYOR

APPROVED:

  
CITY ATTORNEY

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Exhibit "A"

Section 18-183. Tow-away zones.

Any location where parking is prohibited by City Code or State law or any location where time limits for continuous parking are established by the City Code may be designated as a tow-away zone by the Director of Traffic & Transportation by posting signs giving notice thereof.

Any vehicle parked in a parking prohibited area designated as a tow-away zone or any vehicle parked in excess of 24 hours in a time-limited parking area designated as a tow-away zone may, upon direction of a police officer, be removed from such place, taken to such place as is designated by the Police Department, and impounded. Fees for towing, impoundment, and daily storage, as set by the City Council, shall be assessed against such vehicles and the owner or driver thereof. All assessed fees shall be paid before such vehicle is released. The payment of the towing, impoundment, and storage fees shall not constitute a defense to any charge against the driver or owner of such vehicle for violating this chapter or other traffic laws or ordinances prohibiting or limiting such parking.