

ORDINANCE NO. 007-07

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DE LEON, TEXAS
ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION
AND USE OF CITY RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS; PROVIDING
A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City of De Leon (the "City") has established a park in the City for recreational vehicle camping; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council and the citizens of the City to maintain a healthy and safe environment for campers using the park and to regulate access to the park so that all citizens and visitors have an opportunity to use the park; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is the best interest of the citizens of the City and visitors to the City to establish rules and regulations for the operation and use of the recreational vehicle park;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DE LEON, TEXAS:

Section 1 Regulations for Recreational Vehicle Parks

All persons using a City recreational vehicle park (RV Park) shall comply with the regulations established in this ordinance and shall comply with all other City ordinances while using the RV Park. The City reserves the right to refuse service to and to remove from the RV Park any person who does not comply with this ordinance and any other City ordinance while in the RV Park.

(1) **Registration and permit.** Any person using the RV Park shall register with the City by completing an application for an RV Park permit and paying the required fee prior to parking in the RV Park. The procedures for application and permitting will be established by the Mayor and may be amended, as necessary. Instructions for application and payment will be clearly displayed at the RV Park. The City will issue a written permit for a specific RV Park site for a designated vehicle. The camper shall display the permit in a visible location inside the windshield of the permitted vehicle at all times while using the RV Park site.

(2) **Fees.** Fees for use of the RV Park site will be assessed according to following schedule:

30-amp sites- \$20.00 per day; \$18.00 per day with Senior Discount
50-amp sites- \$30.00 per day; \$28.00 per day with Senior Discount
Dump fee- \$5.00 per dump

(3) **Hours.** The RV Park shall be in operation twenty-four hours a day when open. The City Council may establish certain times of the year when the RV Park is not open for use. Check out time will be 2:00 p.m. each day; a camper must vacate the site before that time unless the camper has a permit for another day.

(4) **Parking.** Only one recreational vehicle shall be allowed to park on each RV Park site. All vehicles shall be parked out of the traffic lanes running through the park. Other vehicles may be parked in a space designated and posted for that purpose within the RV Park.

(5) Speed limit. The speed limit for all vehicles within the RV Park shall be five (5) miles per hour.

(6) Maintenance of sites. The permitted camper shall maintain the RV Park site free of trash, garbage, and refuse at all times; all garbage and trash of any kind shall be bagged and placed in dumpsters; all boxes and cartons must be flattened before placing in the dumpsters. The permitted camper shall ensure that the recreational vehicle connections to water and sewer on the site do not leak and that the sewage caps are securely fastened and water faucets off before departing the site.

(7) Liability. The City shall not assume liability for any loss or injury including, but not limited to, loss or injury due to fire, theft, vandalism, accident, negligence, or natural disaster. Each permitted camper shall be responsible for his or her actions or the actions of his or her children, guests, or pets and shall be financially responsible for any damage to the park facilities.

(8) Restrictions.

a. Gray water or waste water shall not be discarded on the ground in the RV Park.

b. Clotheslines are not permitted in the RV Park.

c. Tent camping is allowed in designated areas only.

d. Children under the age of eighteen may not be left unattended or unsupervised in the RV Park.

e. Pets shall be on a leash, attended and kept under control when outdoors in the RV Park and shall be kept indoors at night. A camper shall not allow a pet to make noise that will disturb the peace of other campers.

f. Washing or repairing motor vehicles or recreational vehicles is not permitted in the RV Park.

(9) All City Ordinances apply to and will be enforced in the RV Park. The park will be patrolled by the City Police Department. A violation of this ordinance may result in being removed from the park and may be prosecuted as a Class C misdemeanor in the municipal court.

Section 2 Severability

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the section, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases are severable, and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in the Ordinance of unconstitutional or invalid phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections.

Section 3 Notice

That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the *Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Loc. Gov't. Code*.

Section 4 Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council and publication as required by the Local Government Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 28th day of June, 2007.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 12th day of July, 2007.


Danny Owen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Karen Wilkerson, City Secretary