

**Subject:** Ordinance #1581 – Amending Section 16.03.050(e) to allow Parking on certain City streets that was previously prohibited

**Dept. Origin:** Planning Dept.  
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**For Agenda of:** May 7, 2024  
**Exhibits:** Ordinance #1581

**Proposed Council Action:**

This matter is on for First Reading. Unless directed otherwise, this matter will return for Second Reading and Action on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

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| <b>Concurred by Mayor:</b>               | _____                    |
| <b>Approved by City Planner:</b>         | _____                    |
| <b>Approved as to form by City Atty:</b> | <b><u>JSR/5-2-24</u></b> |
| <b>Approved by Finance Director:</b>     | _____                    |
| <b>Approved by Department Head:</b>      | _____                    |

**INFORMATION / BACKGROUND**

The Planning Director and Mayor recommend that the City update RMC 16.03.050(e) to delete the following parking restrictions:

- East side of Baltimore Street between North 49th Street and the south city limits; and
- South side of Park Avenue between Pearl Street and Bennett Street

The attached ordinance makes those changes to the Ruston Municipal Code.

**FISCAL CONSIDERATION**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION / MOTION**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 1581**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUSTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO VEHICLE PARKING ON CITY STREETS, AMENDING SECTION 16.03.050(e) OF THE RUSTON MUNICIPAL CODE TO DELETE THE FOLLOWING PARKING RESTRICTIONS: EAST SIDE OF BALTIMORE STREET BETWEEN NORTH 49TH STREET AND THE SOUTH CITY LIMITS AND ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF PARK AVENUE BETWEEN PEARL STREET AND BENNETT STREET, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CORRECTIONS, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that it is the policy of the City to ensure safety on the City's rights of way, including restricting and allowing parking on City streets as appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, as development and use of the streets and surrounding property in Ruston and in adjacent locales has changed over time; and

**WHEREAS**, the City reviews its codes to determine changes that should be made to support desired uses and for housekeeping purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to change the parking restrictions to delete the following parking restrictions: east side of Baltimore Street between North 49th street and the south city limits and the restriction of parking on the south side of Park Avenue between Pearl Street and Bennett Street; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 7, 2024, the City Council held the first reading of this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 21, 2024, the City Council held second reading and adopted this Ordinance during its regular meeting; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSTON HEREBY ORDAINS AS  
FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Section 16.03.050 of the Ruston Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**16.03.050 Improper stopping, standing or parking.**

- (a) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any designated parking space so that any part of such vehicle occupies more than one such space, protrudes beyond the markings designating such space or protrudes into the maneuvering lines.
- (b) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any parking space for a period of time longer than the period allowed in that time zone. Once a vehicle remains in a parking space beyond the time which the time zone permits, each subsequent period of time for which the vehicle remains beyond the period of time allowed in that time zone shall constitute a separate violation.
- (c) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any parking space which is designated "Motorcycle Only" unless the person stops, stands or parks a motorcycle within the designated parking space. Motorcycle spaces will be appropriately designated by the Town's Mayor.
- (d) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in any parking space which is designated "Small Car Only" unless the person stops, stands or parks a "small car" as defined herein within the designated parking space. "Small cars" shall be those vehicles which can be stopped, stood or parked entirely within the markings on the pavement which outline the "Small Car Only" parking space. "Small Car Only" spaces will be appropriately designated by the Town's Mayor.
- (e) It is a violation of this chapter to park any motor vehicle or permit the same to remain standing in any of the following places:
  - (1) On the east side of Pearl Street for a distance of 35 feet north of North 51st Street and on the east side of Pearl Street for a distance of 70 feet south of North 51st Street.
  - (2) On the east side of Pearl Street for a distance of 50 feet south from North 54th Street.
  - (3) On the north side of 51st Street for a distance of 35 feet east of Pearl Street.
  - (4) On the north side of North 51st Street from its intersection with Winnifred Street to its intersection with Gallagher Street.

- (5) On the south side of North 51st Street from Winnifred Street to Baltimore Street.
  - (6) The alley between Pearl and Highland Streets, extending from North 50th to North 52nd Streets.
  - (7) On either side of Baltimore Street from North 51st Street to North 49th Street.
  - (8) ~~On the east side of Baltimore Street between North 49th Street and the south Town limits.~~
  - ~~(9) On the east side of Bennett Street from North 51st Street to North 54th Street.~~
  - (109) On either side of North 49th Street for a distance of 30 feet east and west of Baltimore Street.
  - (110) The north side of North 49th Street between Pearl and Baltimore Streets.
  - (121) On the south side of North 49th Street for a distance of 100 feet east of Pearl Street.
  - (132) On ~~either the north~~ side of North Park Avenue between Pearl Street and Bennett Street.
  - (143) On the Winnifred Street Bridge.
  - (154) On the north side of North 52nd Street from Bennett Street to Shirley Street and on either side of North 52nd Street from Bennett Street to Baltimore Street.
  - (165) On the south side of North 52nd Street between Pearl Street and Shirley Street.
  - (176) That portion of the north side of North 52nd Street between Winnifred and Shirley Streets, lying 60 feet west and 20 feet east of the alley between such streets.
  - (187) At either of the two parking slots located adjacent to the Winnifred Street traffic island at the corner of North 51st Street.
- (f) It is a violation to park a vehicle in the opposite direction of a designated direction parking sign, such as, but not limited to, parking forward in space designated for back-in parking only.

**Section 2. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 3. Publication.** This Ordinance shall be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

**Section 4. Corrections.** Upon the approval of the city attorney, the city clerk, and/or the code publisher is authorized to make any necessary technical corrections to this ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any reference thereto.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective five days after publication as provided by law.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Ruston and attested by the City Clerk in authentication of such passage on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

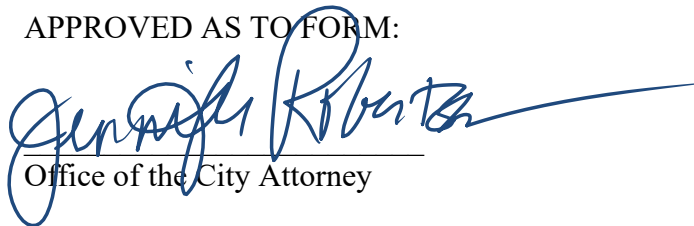
**APPROVED** by the Mayor this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024.

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Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Laurie Cassell, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Office of the City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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