

**ORDINANCE NO. 1474**

**AN ORDINANCE OF RUSTON, WASHINGTON,  
RELATING TO PARKING OF UNLICENSED VEHICLES,  
AMENDING SECTION 16.01.150 OF THE RUSTON  
MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE FINES FOR  
VIOLATORS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW.**

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WHEREAS, Section 16.01.150 of the Ruston Municipal Code prohibits the parking of unlicensed vehicles on City streets; and

WHEREAS, the fine for parking an unlicensed vehicle on public streets has been increased by the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Section 16.01.150 of the Ruston Municipal Code should be amended to make the fines consistent with State law; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2015, the City Council held the first reading on this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2015, the City Council adopted this Ordinance during its Regular Meeting at Second Reading; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

**Section 1.** Section 16.01.150 of the Ruston Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**16.01.150 - Unlawful to park or stand unlicensed vehicle.**

It is unlawful for any person to park any vehicle or to permit any vehicle to stand on any public street, alley, highway, or parking strip of the ~~Town~~City of Ruston unless there is displayed on the vehicle the proper number of valid vehicle license number plates or temporary vehicle registration attached in the manner required by the Washington Motor Vehicle Act. A violation of this section shall be a traffic infraction and shall be subject to the following fines:

- (a) Vehicle license number plates not valid for under two months: ~~\$124.00~~ 136.00;
- (b) Vehicle license number plates not valid for over two months: ~~\$216.00~~ 228.00.

**Section 2. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional or unlawful 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.

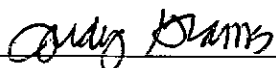
**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect five days after publication, as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Ruston and attested by the City Clerk in authentication of such passage on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

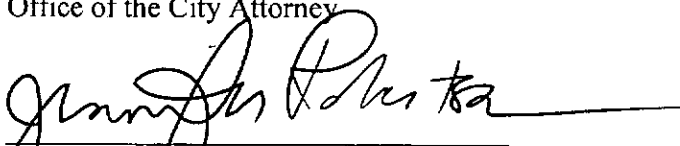
APPROVED by the Mayor this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

  
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Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Judy Grams, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Office of the City Attorney

  
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Jennifer Robertson, City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 9/17/2015

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 10/20/2015

PUBLISHED: \_\_\_\_\_

EFFECTIVE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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