

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Section 80.73.1 of Division "N". Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to include recreational vehicles as vehicles that an Operator is prohibited from renting, leasing, or selling in the public right-of-way; and amending LAMC Section 89.60 to update the punishment, fines, and late penalties for violations of LAMC Section 80.73.1.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 80.73.1 of Division "N" of Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 80.73.1. USE OF STREETS FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS OR STORAGE OF VEHICLES – PROHIBITED.

(a) For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

Operator means any person or Owner who deals in or conducts any business or enterprise described in Subsection (b) through (e), including through Operator's use of a lessee, agent, independent contractor, or other person engaged by the Operator to conduct Operator's business or enterprise.

Owner means a person having all the incidents of ownership of a vehicle, including the legal title of a vehicle, whether or not such person lends, rents, or creates a security interest in the vehicle; or the person entitled to possession of a vehicle as the purchaser under a security agreement.

Recreational Vehicle means both of the following:

(i) A motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, or camping trailer, with or without motive power, designed for human habitation for recreational, emergency, or other occupancy, that meets all of the following criteria:

(1) It contains less than 320 square feet of internal living room area, excluding built-in equipment, including, but not limited to, wardrobe, closets, cabinets, kitchen units or fixtures, and bath or toilet rooms.

(2) It contains 400 square feet or less of gross area measured at maximum horizontal projections.

(3) It is built on a single chassis.

(4) It is either self-propelled, truck-mounted, or permanently towable on the highways without a permit.

(ii) A park trailer designed for human habitation for recreational or seasonal use only, that meets all of the following requirements:

(1) It contains 400 square feet or less of gross floor area, excluding loft area space if that loft area space meets the requirements of subdivision (b) and Section 18033. It may not exceed 14 feet in width at the maximum horizontal projection.

(2) It is built upon a single chassis.

(3) It may only be transported upon the public highways with a permit issued pursuant to Section 35780 of the California Vehicle Code.

(b) It shall be unlawful for an Operator who deals in or whose business involves the sale, rental, leasing, repair, repossession, or transportation of new or used vehicles, including recreational vehicles (RVs), during the conduct of such business, to park, store, house, or leave standing any such vehicles on any street, alley, or other public right-of-way. Operator shall conduct its business in compliance with state and City law regarding the sale and leasing of vehicles, including RVs.

(c) It shall be unlawful for an Operator who deals in or whose business involves the wrecking, junking, or dismantling of used vehicles, to park, store, or leave standing on any street, alley, or other public right-of-way any vehicle or vehicle part which has been delivered to the Operator or which is in the Operator's possession or custody for wrecking, junking, or dismantling.

(d) It shall be unlawful for an Operator to park or leave standing on any street, alley, or other public right-of-way any vehicle pending delivery or during delivery to any Operator who deals in or whose business involves wrecking, junking, or dismantling of used vehicles, unless the vehicle so parked or left standing is currently licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles and is fully operable.

(e) It shall be unlawful for an Operator to unload or store on any street, alley, or other public right-of-way any vehicle or vehicle part pending delivery or during delivery to any Operator who deals in or whose business involves the wrecking, junking, or dismantling of used vehicles or vehicle parts, unless the vehicle so stored or left standing is currently licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles and is fully operable.

(f) While in the process of enforcing this section, any enforcement agency shall have the right to demand copies of the report of vehicles in the custody of any automotive repair garage or used vehicle sales area, defined in Section 13B.10.4

(Annual Inspection Monitoring of Automotive Repair Garage and Used Vehicle Sales Areas) of Chapter 1A of this Code.

(g) **Civil Penalties.**

First Violation. A first violation of Subsection (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this section by an Operator shall constitute a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.

Second Violation. A second violation of Subsection (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this section occurring within 12 months of the first violation by an Operator shall constitute a civil penalty in the amount of \$750.

Third and Subsequent Violation. A third and any subsequent violation of Subsection (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this section occurring within 12 months of the first violation by an Operator shall constitute a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.

(h) Late payment penalties for violations of this section shall be assessed as established in Section 89.60 of this Code.

(i) The Operator shall be guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during which any violation of this section is committed, continued, or permitted by the Operator.

(j) **Criminal Penalties.** Any violation of this section may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor. In cases where the City Attorney elects to criminally prosecute a violation, the defendant shall be subject to all applicable penalties authorized by Section 11.00(m) of this Code, and not the civil penalties authorized in this section.

(k) **Severability.** If any subsection, subdivision, clause, sentence, phrase, or portion of this section is held unconstitutional or invalid or unenforceable by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the remaining subsections, subdivisions, clauses, sentences, phrases, or portions of this section shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this section are severable.

Sec. 2. Section 89.60 of Division "W" of Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to replace the fines and late penalties for violations of Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.73.1 to read as follows:

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FINE	WITH LATE PENALTY	WITH SECOND PENALTY
80.73.1(), (b), (c), (d) or (e)	PARKING OR STANDING OF VEHICLES ON A CITY STREET BY AN OPERATOR WHOSE BUSINESS INVOLVES THE SELLING, RENTING, LEASING, REPAIRING OR REPOSSESSING OF VEHICLES			
	FOR FIRST VIOLATION	\$500	\$50	\$25
	FOR SECOND VIOLATION WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF FIRST VIOLATION	\$750	\$50	\$25
	FOR THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF FIRST VIOLATION	\$1000	\$50	\$25

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Ordinance Passed _____

Approved _____