

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8 OF THE VEHICLES & TRAFFIC CODES OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, ARKANSAS

WHEREAS, the City of Huntsville has recently discovered that certain residential city streets, where cars park on both sides of the street, impede the passage of emergency vehicles, the City Council of Huntsville, Arkansas has determined that the Code should be amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1:

SECTION 1: Title 8, Chapter 8.20 Parking is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 2: Section 8.20.06 Street Parking in Residential Areas: The City Public Works Department shall determine which residential city streets are too narrow for emergency vehicles to traverse on when cars are parked on both sides of the street. "No Parking" signs may be placed by City Public Works Department on one side of the street banning parking from occurring; however, parking may be allowed on the other side as long as it does not impede the passage of emergency vehicles or other large vehicles and does not block driveways and mailboxes.

SECTION 3: Section 8.20.07 Enforcement: The Huntsville City Police Department and Huntsville Code Enforcement Officer are hereby authorized to enforce this Ordinance to include towing of vehicles with or without notice if the vehicle is impeding traffic to the point that emergency vehicles cannot traverse the street.

SECTION 4: Section 8.20.08 Fine. Any person violating any of the terms of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the First offense, a fine of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the Second offense and a fine of Five-Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the Third offense. Responsibility for any such violation shall rest with the owner of any vehicle illegally parked regardless of who actually placed the vehicle in the parking area.

ARTICLE 2: Emergency. The adoption of this ordinance is necessary to ensure the passage of emergency vehicles, including fire trucks and ambulances. Therefore, an emergency exists, and this Ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. It shall be in full force and effective immediately from and after this passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, ARKANSAS, THIS
8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.

APPROVED _____
Mayor Travis Dotson

ATTEST _____
City Clerk Joetta Smith