

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01/10-RV__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HARDIN, TEXAS, PROHIBITING THE USE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AS A RESIDENCE; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY.

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Section 1

Definitions

The following words and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section:

Recreational vehicle, as used in this ordinance, shall mean any of the following:

Travel trailer means a vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational and vacation uses, or permanently identified travel trailer by the manufacturer of the trailer and, factory equipped for the road, it shall have a body width not exceeding eight feet and a body length not exceeding state maximum.

Pick-up coach means a structure designed to be mounted on a truck chassis for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation. The pick-up coach shall remain on the truck chassis at all times, except for any repair or maintenance work which necessitates the pick-up coach being removed from the truck chassis, in which case such repair or maintenance work shall be completed within two days or removal.

Motor home means a portable, temporary dwelling to be used for travel, recreation and vacation, constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle.

Dependent trailer means a trailer which is dependent upon a service building for toilet and lavatory facilities.

Self-contained trailer means a trailer which can operate independent of connection to sewer, water and electric systems. It contains water-flushed toilet, lavatory, shower and kitchen sink, all of which are connected to water storage and sewage holding tanks located within the trailer.

Recreational vehicles shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws regarding registration, inspection, and safety.

Section 2

- A. No Person shall reside in a Recreational Vehicle within the City of Hardin, Texas unless they have a permit for the construction of a permanent residence issued by the City of Hardin, Texas. For purposes of this ordinance, “reside” means to spend more the three consecutive nights or five nights in a thirty-day period.
- B. This Ordinance does not apply to Recreational Vehicles that are located within a Recreational Vehicle Park operating under a permit or license of the City of Hardin, Texas.

Section 3

- A. Section 2 does not apply to any person residing in a Recreational Vehicle at the time of the enactment of this ordinance.
- B. All persons that are exempt from this ordinance under Section 2.A. must register their Recreational Vehicle with the city within 30 days of the enactment of this ordinance. The registration fee is \$10.00
- C. All Recreational Vehicles exempt from this ordinance under Section 2.A. shall obtain a sewer connection from the City of Hardin, Texas.

Section 4

Any violation of this ordinance is punishable by a fine up to \$500.00. Each day that a person is noncompliant with this ordinance constitutes a separate penalty.

This ordinance takes full force and effect once signed by the mayor, attested by the city secretary, and duly published in the newspaper of record.

Passed and attested by the City Council of the City of Hardin, Texas on January 10, 2022.

Original Signature on file
_ Harry Johnson, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Original Signature on file
_ Heather Tanner
City Secretary