

Amendment to Ordinance 25
PROHIBITING JUNKED VEHICLES WITHIN CITY LIMITS

PREAMBLE

In order to preserve the continuing development, improvements and maintain the safety and well-being of the residents, junked vehicles are not permitted within the city limits of Lake City.

ORDAINING CLAUSE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAKE CITY, TEXAS

SECTION I

AUTHORIZATION

The mayor or his/her designee is hereby authorized and directed to implement the applicable provisions of this ordinance upon his/her determination that such action is necessary to protect the public welfare and safety of the residents, visitors, pets, and personal property.

SECTION II

APPLICATION

The application of this ordinance shall apply to persons, residents, guests, and renters within the city of Lake City Texas.

- a) A junked vehicle is defined as any self-propelled vehicle that is inoperable, has an expired registration, and is partially or wholly dismantled for more than 45 consecutive days.
- b) This **DOES NOT** include antique vehicles (35 years or older) or special interest vehicles or an inoperable vehicle that is enclosed in a building that is not visible to the public.
- c) Boats or marine type vehicles that are not operable or current on registration with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department are considered a junk vehicle.

- d) Travel trailers that or abandoned, dilapidated, or inoperable or also, to be considered junk vehicle.
- e) Farm equipment and/or implements that are not operable are considered junk vehicles as there is no place to farm locally within city limits of Lake City. If such vehicle is stored in Lake City, it must be housed in a building out of site from other residents.

When notice is given to resident or renters, they have 72 hours to have vehicle removed from public or private property where such vehicle is located, or citation will be given, and further action will be taken.

SECTION III

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and publication as required by law.

SECTION IV

SEVERABILITY

If for any reason any section of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgement of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section of this Ordinance for it is the intent of this City that each of such be given full force and intent for its purpose.

SECTION V

PENALTY

A violation of this Ordinance can result in a fine plus court costs if the court so orders.

The fines are as follows:

- 1st Offense \$200.00 plus court costs
- 2nd Offense \$300.00 plus court costs
- 3rd Offense \$400.00 plus court costs

If an offense occurs on rental property located within the city limits of Lake City the city may hold the landlord of the tenant(s) responsible for not having the tenant(s) comply with said ordinance.

CONCLUSION

READ, APPROVED, AND PASSED ON THIS 1st DAY OF September, 2022.

Shannan L Smith

SHANNAN SMITH
Mayor of Lake City

ATTEST

I, Debbie Holt, City Secretary of Lake City, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 25, passed and approved by the City Council of Lake City, Texas, at a meeting held on the 1st day of September, 2022.

Debbie Holt

Debbie Holt
City Secretary

1st Reading 8/16/22

2nd Reading 9/1/22

Revised 9/1/22

In the fiscal year ending August 31, 2021, the City of Lake City began a project to convert pertinent ordinances in the format recommended by the Texas Municipal League. Ordinance 25 is one of those ordinances.



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Lake City, Tx 78368

FIRST AND FINAL NOTICE - VIOLATION OF ORDINANCE #25

Date of Notice: _____ Location of Violation: _____

Vehicle Description _____

Required Removal Date _____

Notice Served By:

- In Person (To Whom) _____ Time Served _____
- Regular US Postal Service
- Registered US Postal Service

The City of Lake City Ordinance #25 prohibits junk vehicles from being kept or stored on private or personal property unless the guidelines are met as indicated in this ordinance or the resident(s) will be served with a notice and removal will have to be completed within 72 hours and not to exceed 72 hours upon receipt of notice. Failure to do so will result in citation issued, fines, plus court costs.

The ordinance outlines what vehicles that do not meet city requirements are to be considered as 'JUNK' such as all self-propelled vehicles, watercraft type vehicles, travel trailers, and farming equipment including implements.

Type of Violation:

- Junk vehicle parked on city or private property not meeting city requirements

 Signature of person completing this notice

 Title