EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-11

WAIVER OF CERTAIN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING RESTRICTIONS

As the Director of Emergency Services pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code Section 2-505, and by the powers invested in me by Fresno Municipal Code Section 2-506, I hereby issue the following orders, to be effective immediately and for so long as the City’s declared emergency is in effect related to COVID-19:

1. Some residents who are classified as essential workers or employees and could be exposed to COVID-19 and may choose to isolate themselves from their families or other occupants of their residence to protect them from possible exposure.

2. “Essential Worker” has the same definition as those individuals designated by the State Public Health Officer as Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers in the list issued in accordance with the Governor’s Executive Order No. N-33-20, and any subsequent modifications of that list.

3. “Recreational Vehicle” (RV) is “a mobile, temporary lodging space, usually housed in a motor vehicle or trailer, generally for the purposes of travelling.” as defined in Fresno Municipal Code section 15-6802.

4. Notwithstanding any provision of Fresno Municipal Code restricting or prohibiting RV parking on private property and public streets, or the duration of parking on public streets, essential workers who choose to isolate themselves from their families or other occupants of their residence to prevent exposure of COVID-19, and those individuals who were ordered to self-isolate by a doctor or public health official, may park an RV on the street in front of their residence or in the driveway or an improved surface of their property for the purposes of that self-isolation.

5. Any individual wishing to isolate within a recreational vehicle pursuant to this Order shall present one of the following upon request from a peace officer, code enforcement officer, parking enforcement officer, or public health officer:
a. Documentation from the individual’s employer that indicates the individual is in fact working as an essential worker.

b. Documentation from a doctor or public health officer ordering the individual to self-isolate away from the other individuals within their normal residence to prevent further exposure to COVID-19.

c. Other evidence satisfactory to the officer.

6. Any individual isolating within a recreational vehicle pursuant to this Order shall comply with all health, safety, and welfare directions of the City relating to water, wastewater, gas, and electricity use.

7. This Order is not a waiver of the parking regulations of recreational vehicles for all individuals within the City. Those who do not qualify under this Order are still subject to the restrictions set forth in Fresno Municipal Code.

8. This Order shall be subject to amendment or repeal at any time, and shall not be deemed to confer any contractual obligations, property rights, or assume any City liability.

9. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

10. Pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code section 2-512, violations of this Order shall be punishable as a misdemeanor upon conviction by a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for a term of not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Director of Emergency Services

Wilma Quan
City Manager

April 2, 2020 2:00pm