

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY CODE  
CHAPTER 15, SECTION 144**

**WHEREAS**, certain areas within the City of Charlottesville have limited on-street parking, which is further exacerbated by the parking of large vehicles or inoperable vehicles on City streets; and

**WHEREAS**, currently Section 15-144 of the Code of the City of Charlottesville prohibits the parking of certain vehicles on City streets between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m., including buses or vans designed to carry more than twelve passengers, trucks, vans, trailers, semitrailers, or recreational vehicles with more than two wheels per axle; and

**WHEREAS**, the current version of City Code Section 15-144 does not include certain other large vehicles, and does not prohibit the practice of covering or tarping vehicles, such that city staff is unable to determine whether a vehicle is inoperable; and

**WHEREAS**, the revised version of City Code Section 15-144 seeks to prohibit the overnight parking of certain other large vehicles, including boats, vehicles with antique plates, and vehicles for farm use; and seeks to prohibit the practice of covering or tarping cars in a manner that restricts inspection of the license plate or state inspection decal.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that Chapter 15 Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Section 144 of the Code of the City of Charlottesville, 1990, as amended, is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

**Sec. 15-144 (revised). Parking and covering of restricted vehicles**

- (1) No vehicle or trailer listed below shall be parked on any of the public streets of the city between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m.
- a. Semi-truck or semitrailer truck
  - b. Bus or van designed to carry more than (12) twelve passengers (city school buses and vans excepted)
  - c. Vehicle with antique license plate
  - d. Vehicle with F-tag license plate or Farm Use placard
  - e. Boat
  - f. Recreational vehicle, as defined in Sec. 34-1200 of the City Code
  - g. Trailer
  - h. Any vehicle or trailer with more than two (2) wheels per axle
- (2) No vehicle or trailer parked on a public street of the city shall be covered with a tarp or cover that restricts inspection of the vehicle's or trailer's license plate or state inspection decal.
- (3) It shall be unlawful for any person, business or corporation to perform service or repairs on a vehicle parked on a public street within the city, or to store or park on any public street, any motor vehicle left in the custody of any business; provided however, that this section shall not apply to emergency service or repairs; vehicle owners performing minor service or repairs on their respective vehicles otherwise legally parked and operative; or the accommodation for the immediate transfer, exchange or removal of a vehicle to or from a garage, repair shop, service station or parking facility.

Aye    No  
Payne  
Pinkston  
Snook  
Wade  
Oschrin

Approved by Council  
November \_\_\_\_, 2024

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Kyna Thomas, MMC  
Clerk of Council

Suggested Motion: I move that Chapter 15, Sections 144, of the Code of the City of Charlottesville be amended and reenacted.