

ORDINANCE 2019-58

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 101 AND TITLE 15, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 615 OF THE FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL CODE, TO CLARIFY THAT ANY AMENDMENTS MADE TO STATE TRAFFIC STATUTES ARE ADOPTED BY THE CITY AND TO CLARIFY THAT ALL PARKING REGULATIONS FOUND IN TITLE 15, CHAPTER 6 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE APPLY IN PUBLIC PARKING LOTS AND GARAGES.

WHEREAS, the City of Franklin is committed to providing for the safety, health, and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen found that in order to effectively promote the safety and general welfare of the people of Franklin, Tennessee, the City of Franklin should continue to enforce the state traffic statutes known as the “Rules of the Road” and adopt all corresponding amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen found that in order to effectively promote the safety and general welfare of the people of Franklin, Tennessee, the City’s parking regulations should also be enforceable in City parking lots and garages; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen believes these amendments promote the private and public interests of the City of Franklin and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That Title 15, Chapter 1, Section 101 of the Franklin Municipal Code is hereby modified by deleting the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Sec. 15-101. – Adoption of state traffic statutes and regulations.

The violation of the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, title 55, chapter 8 (commonly known as the “Rules of the Road”), as amended, or of any other state motor vehicle operation statute or regulation committed within the corporate limits of the City of Franklin is hereby declared to be an offense against the City of Franklin and punishable as other violations under section 15-705 of this Code, provided the statute or regulation is classified as a Class C misdemeanor.

SECTION II. That Title 15, Chapter 6, Section 615 of the Franklin Municipal Code is hereby modified by deleting the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Sec. 15-615. – Public parking lots/garages.

(1) *Prohibitions.*

- (a) On any public parking lot or garage which is owned, leased, or maintained by the City of Franklin, it shall be unlawful to leave any vehicle parked for longer than the times posted, to

create a traffic hazard, or to obstruct the safe passage of vehicles or pedestrians. No vehicle shall remain parked in a city garage for more than 24 hours or the vehicle may be impounded pursuant to chapter 7 of this title. Failure to follow posted rules in a public parking lot/garage owned, leased, or maintained by the City of Franklin shall also be unlawful.

- (b) All vehicles shall be parked head-in only.
- (c) To the fullest extent possible, all other regulations and prohibitions found in Title 15, Chapter 6 shall apply in any public parking lot/garage owned, leased, or maintained by the City of Franklin.

(2) *Exceptions.* City-owned vehicles shall not be subject to the timed parking requirements above.

SECTION III. BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage on second and final reading, the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens requiring it.

ATTEST:

CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE:

By: _____

Eric S. Stuckey
City Administrator/Recorder

By: _____

Dr. Ken Moore
Mayor

Approved as to form by:

William E. Squires
Assistant City Attorney

PASSED FIRST READING: _____

PASSED SECOND READING: _____