

City of Barre
Chapter 17 – TRAFFIC
#2024-03

The City Council of the City of Barre, Vermont will hold a first reading on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 6:20 P.M. in the City Council Chambers to discuss the following revision to the Code of Ordinances, amended Section 17-26, Chapter 17 – Traffic, as follows:

The City Council of the City of Barre hereby ordains that Section 17-26, Chapter 17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Barre, Vermont is hereby amended to read as follows:

Note: **Bold/Underline indicates additions**
~~[brackets/Strikeout indicates deletions]~~

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Sec. 17-26. Parking regulations.

(a) No operator or driver of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park the same in any of the following places except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or official sign:

- (1) Within an intersection[.];
- (2) On a crosswalk[.];
- (3) Within six (6) feet of a fire hydrant[.];
- (4) In front of a private driveway[.];
- (5) On any sidewalk[.]; **or**
- (6) Abreast of another vehicle in any street.

(b) No person shall put, place, or park any vehicle on any public street for the purpose of selling or renting the same or for the purpose of displaying or advertising the same for sale or rent.

(c) Unless otherwise provided, vehicles in the city shall be parked parallel and close to the curb the full length of the vehicle, with right wheels to curb, and, where parking spaces are marked off or painted on the pavement, no driver or operator of any vehicle shall stop, stand or park such vehicle otherwise than wholly within the spaces so marked off or painted.

(d) ~~[During the period from~~ **Between** the 15th day of November of each year to the first day of April of the following year, no person shall, between the hours of ~~[1:00 a.m.]~~ **11:00 p.m.** and 6:00 a.m., park any vehicle or permit any vehicle to remain parked on any ~~[public highway in the]~~ city **street or city-owned parking lot, unless such vehicle is parked in a designated overnight parking space with a valid permit.**

(e) ~~[(h) Reserved.~~

(f) It shall be unlawful for a person:

- (1) To park a vehicle for a period of more than seventy-two (72) consecutive hours on any street in the city[.];
- (2) ~~[Unless permission is granted by the city manager or designee, to]~~ **To** park or stop a vehicle in a restricted zone, except for the purpose of discharging or receiving a passenger, and then only if the zone is not occupied or about to be occupied by a vehicle permitted to use the zone by the city manager or designee. If such vehicle

approaches, the vehicle without permission shall immediately vacate the zone, **unless permission is granted by the city manager or designee**[.];

(3) To park a vehicle in or upon school grounds from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. of the following day, unless permitted to do so by an officer or other person so empowered to grant such permission by the [~~board of school commissioners of the~~] city's school district[.];

(4) To park or stop a vehicle in or upon or operate a vehicle in any real property located within a city cemetery, **park or playground** from one half hour before sunset until one half hour after sunrise on the following day, without permission of the city manager or designee. The permission shall be in writing and when so parked or stopped shall be exhibited to any police officer requesting to see it[.];

(5) To park or stop a vehicle on a crosswalk which has been marked on a street by signs or striping[.];

(6) To park a vehicle along or on a curb, which has been painted yellow by authority of the city manager or designee, unless permission to do so has been granted by the city manager or designee[.];

(7) To park a vehicle on any street from which merchandise or service is sold or offered for sale, or displayed for sale or exhibition, without permission of the city manager or designee, with the exception of those vendors who have been issued a vending license pursuant to City Ordinance Sec. 10-16[.];

(8) [~~Unless a parking space is otherwise plainly marked on the street, to~~] **To** park a vehicle in any manner other than parallel and close to the curb edge of the traveled way of a street, the full length of the vehicle, **unless a parking space is otherwise plainly marked on the street**[.];

(9) To park or stop a vehicle within an intersection, or on a bridge or a sidewalk, or in front of a private driveway, or within six (6) feet of a fire hydrant, or abreast of a vehicle parked or stopped at the curb of a street, or so as to obstruct traffic[.];

(10) [~~Except where parking of vehicles is permitted, it shall be unlawful to~~] **To** park a vehicle or place or leave anything in a roadway, which may impede or hinder its full and free use by vehicles, **except where parking of vehicles is permitted**[.];

(11) [~~It shall be unlawful to~~] **To** park a vehicle or place or leave anything which may impede or hinder vehicular traffic where "No parking" traffic signs are erected[.];

(12) [~~In the parking meter zone, except in a parking space or as otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful to~~] **To** park a vehicle or place or leave anything **in the meter zone, except in a parking space or as otherwise provided**, which may impede or hinder the full and free use of a roadway by vehicles[.];

(13) [~~It shall be unlawful to~~] **To** park a vehicle on any city street in such a manner that the vehicle is facing oncoming traffic[.];

(14) [~~It shall be unlawful to~~] **To** park any vehicle, other than one properly displaying a valid handicapped license plate or valid handicapped parking card issued by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in a designated handicapped parking space[.]; **and** (Ord. No. 1987-4, 3-10-87)

(15) To stop or park any vehicle in an area designated as "No Parking" by signage installed by the city.

[Cross reference Similar provisions, Sec. 17-45.]

[(j) It shall be unlawful for a person to park any vehicle on any street in such a manner or in any way which may interfere with the prompt and orderly removal or plowing of snow, removal of ice, or sanding or salting or otherwise treating snow

~~or ice by the street department. This section shall be effective only between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. between the 15th day of November of each year and the first day of April of the following year.~~

~~(k)~~ **(f)** For the purpose of cleaning, clearing, oiling, repairing, reconstruction or surfacing a street, sewer or waterline, the ~~[street department or the water department or sewage]~~ department **of public works** may close all of a street or part thereof to parking or stopping of vehicles by causing signs to be posted thereon, in conspicuous locations, indicating the prohibition of parking thereon. It shall be unlawful for a person to park a vehicle on a street or part of a street closed under this section.

~~(l)~~ **(g)** ~~[An officer of the]~~ **The** fire department may prohibit parking in street within not more than five hundred (500) feet from the scene of a fire which the fire department is attending and engaged in extinguishing, when deemed such parking interferes or will interfere with fire-fighting and other duties of the department. Signs shall be erected on all streets at the outer limits of the no-parking zone so designated, and the signs shall be removed when the needs of the department no longer require. It shall be unlawful for any person to park or stop or enter with a vehicle any no-parking zone established under provisions of this section unless authorized by an officer of the fire department.

~~[(m) It shall be unlawful for any driver or operator of a motor vehicle to stop or park such vehicle in any area designated as NO PARKING by signage installed by the City of Barre. (Ord. No. 2014-01, 4-22-14)]~~

ADOPTION HISTORY

- First Reading at regular City Council meeting held on Tuesday, December 17, 2024. Second Reading and Public Hearing set by Council for Tuesday, January 7, 2025.
- Proposed language printed in Times Argus newspaper on Saturday, December 21, 2024.
- Second Reading and Public Hearing held on Tuesday, _____.
- Adopted at regular City Council meeting held on _____ and entered in the minutes of that meeting which are approved on _____.
- Posted in public places on _____.
- Notice of adoption published in the Times Argus newspaper on _____.
- Effective _____.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2025

Cheryl Metivier

City Clerk/Treasurer