## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY CODE CHAPTER 15, SECTION 1449, PERSONNEL SECTIONS 19-96 and 19-150

WHEREAS, certain neighborhoods within the City of Charlottesville have limited on-street parking, which is further exasperated by the parking of large vehicles or inoperable vehicles on City rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, currently Section 15-144 of the Code of the City of Charlottesville prohibits the parking of certain vehicles on City rights-of-way between the hours of midnight and 6:00 am, 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 current members of the Charlottesville Fire Department ("CFD") classified as firefighters/emergency medical services (EMS) providers and enrolled in the Defined Benefit (pension) plan receive a public safety supplement if they retire with at least twenty (20) years of service; 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 with farm use plates; and seeks to prohibit the practice of covering or tarping cars in a manner that restricts inspection of the vehicles license plate and state inspection.

WHEREAS the CFD intends to hire EMS-only employees and would like to extend the same public safety pension supplement under the same provisions to those employees; and

WHEREAS, several localities across the Commonwealth have begun hiring "single-role" or "EMS-only" personnel to meet service and staffing demands; and

WHEREAS, the CFD made a presentation to the Retirement Commission on May 22, 2024, and the Commission determined that providing the public safety pension supplement to EMS only employees is consistent with the intent of the retirement benefit and necessary to maintain competitive recruitment and retention practices; and

WHEREAS, the CFD has faced challenges with recruiting due to a shortage of firefighters and EMS providers, and current standards that require all CFD employees to be trained as firefighters and EMS providers may deter potential applicants, and providing an EMS-only position may attract a broader pool of candidates focused on EMS roles;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that Chapter 159 Personnel, Section 144s 19-96 and 19-150 of the Code of the City of Charlottesville, 1990, as amended, be and hereby is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

## Sec. 15-144. Parking of busses, trucks, etc., between midnight and 6:00 a.m.

No bus or van designed to carry more than twelve (12) passengers and no truck, van, trailer, semitrailer or recreational vehicle with more than two (2) wheels per axle shall be parked on any of the streets of the city between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. following of any day.

(Code 1976, § 16-39)

## Sec. 15-144(revised). Parking of restricted vehicles

- (1) No vehicles listed shall be parked on any of the streets of the city of Charlottesville between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m.
  - a. Semi trucks
  - b. Bus or van designed to carry more than (12) twelve passengers (exception for City School Busses or Vans)
  - c. Vehicles with antique plates
  - d. Vehicles with farm use plates
  - e. Boats
  - f. Recreational Vehicles
  - g. Trailers
  - h. Any vehicle with more than two (2) wheels per axle
- (2) No vehicles or trailers shall be covered with a tarp or cover that would restrict inspection of the vehicles license plate and state inspection within the city streets at any time.
- (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 or parking facility.

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Suggested Motion: I move that Chapter  $1\underline{59}$  Personnel, Sections  $1\underline{449}$ -96 and 19-150, of the Code of the City of Charlottesville be amended and reenacted.

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