

**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 prohibit 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. Parking of buses, 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 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., **however this section shall not apply to a vehicle that has obtained a parking permit from the City.**
 - a. Semi-truck or semitrailer, **as defined by Virginia Code § 46.2-1500.**
 - 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 by City Code § 34-1200) or Trailer (as defined by Virginia Code § 46.2-1500) in excess of twenty (20) feet in length.**
 - g. 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:
 - a. emergency service or repairs;
 - b. vehicle owners performing minor service or repairs on their respective vehicles otherwise legally parked and operative; or
 - c. the accommodation for the immediate transfer, exchange, or removal of a vehicle to or from a garage, repair shop, service station or parking facility.

Legend: ~~Deleted language~~
New language

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>
Payne		
Pinkston		
Snook		
Wade		
Oschrin		

Approved by Council
December ____, 2024

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.