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ORDINANCE NO. G-1350

AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 46-81 and 46-83 of the Pittsburg City Code to include tents, tarps and blankets or any other material being used as a shelter to camp or occupy outside of an approved structure for habitation to the definition of Recreational Equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS:

Section 1. Section 46-81 of the Pittsburg City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 46-81. – Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this Section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Camper trailer (pop-up) means a structure designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, constructed with integral wheels to make it mobile and/or towable by a motor vehicle, not to exceed 24 feet in length and five feet six inches in height in a collapsed condition.

Camping bus means a self-propelled vehicle designed and built as a bus, which has been designed with or converted into a portable dwelling used for recreation.

Dwelling unit means a residence consisting of a single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

Hauling trailer means a light-duty utility trailer intended for residential use including open-bed small trailers designed to be towed behind a car or truck.

Light truck means a motor vehicle designed, used and maintained primarily for the transportation of property and materials, but which has a manufacturer's gross weight of three-fourths ton or less and does not at any point exceed seven feet in height or 21 feet in length.

Light van means a van otherwise meeting the definition of a van, but which has a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rate of three-fourths ton or less and does not at any point exceed seven feet in height or 21 feet in length.

Motor home means a portable dwelling designed and constructed as an integral part of a self-propelled vehicle used for recreation.

Permanent parking means parking on the permanent driveway or on a pad, or in the yard of any of the described recreational vehicles or recreational equipment for a period of greater than 72 hours.

Person means any individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other business or legal entity.

Pickup truck camper means a structure designed primarily to be mounted on a pickup truck chassis and with sufficient equipment to render it suitable for use as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation or vacation use.

Recreational equipment means that which an occupant or owner may desire for convenience to store on his lot, but which item is normally and principally transported for use off the lot on a trailer or other vehicle and which is not used by the very nature and utility of the item in connection with customary accessory residential uses of the lot. Included in the meaning of recreational equipment are such large items as slide-in campers, boat trailers, hang gliders, ski jets, houseboats, pontoons, and boats over 14 feet in length which require a trailer for transportation; and such smaller items as tents, tarps and blankets or any other material being used as a shelter to camp or occupy outside of an approved structure for habitation.

Recreational vehicle means a vehicular type unit built on or for use on a chassis and designed as living quarters, both permanent and temporary, for recreational, camping and travel use, and which has its own motive power, or is mounted on, or which can be drawn or hauled by, another vehicle. The term "recreational vehicle" shall include, but not be limited to, motor homes, travel trailers, camper trailers, pickup truck campers, hauling trailers and camper buses.

Slide-in camper means a structure designed to be mounted temporarily or permanently in the bed of a pickup or light truck to provide enclosed storage space for transportation of property or quarters for recreational camping, including shells and truck cabs.

Storage means the placing of any described vehicles or recreational equipment within an enclosed structure which obscures such vehicles from view.

Travel trailer means a structure, not to exceed nine feet in width, designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, constructed with integral wheels to make it mobile and/or towable by a motor vehicle.

Visibility triangle means the triangular area formed by the intersecting street right-of-way lines and a straight line joining such street right-of-way lines at points which are 30 feet distant from the point of intersection, measured along the right-of-way lines.

Section 2. Section 46-83 of the Pittsburgh City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 46-83. – Habitation.

At no time shall a permanently or temporarily parked or stored recreational vehicle or any recreational equipment be occupied or used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping

purposes within the city limits of Pittsburg except:

- a. A recreational vehicle permanently parked in compliance with this division may be occupied for sleeping purposes only, for a period not to exceed 14 consecutive calendar days in any three-month period. The Building Official or designated agent may authorize an extension of time upon receipt of a prior written request.
- b. A tent may be occupied for sleeping purposes only, for no more than twenty-four (24) hours in a three-month period, and only in the rear yard of any private property with the prior permission of the property owner or tenant and without any form of compensation or remuneration for no more than four (4) times per calendar year. The Building Official or designated agent may authorize an extension of time upon receipt of a prior written request not to exceed three (3) days.

Section 3. Violation of this Ordinance is a Class C misdemeanor and subject to the penalties as set forth in section 1-7 of the Pittsburg City Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of August, 2023.



Mayor-Ron Seglie, MD

ATTEST:



Tammy Nagel - City Clerk

