

## ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

### ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19-150 OF THE JOLIET CODE OF ORDINANCES

**WHEREAS**, the City of Joliet has determined that it is necessary to amend Section 19-150 of the Joliet Code of Ordinances to address issues related to the parking of trailers on city streets; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendments aim to provide clarity and address any confusion regarding the definitions and regulations of trailer parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Joliet, as a home rule unit of government, has the authority to regulate matters of local concern pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS, as follows:**

**SECTION 1:** Section 19-150 of the Joliet Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**[Amended language in bold]**

#### **Sec. 19-150. Truck, semitrailer, trailer, pole trailer, recreational vehicle and bus parking.**

(a) No person shall park or permit to be parked any truck with gross vehicle weight in excess of eight thousand (8,000) pounds or any semitrailer, **trailer, pole trailer**, recreational vehicle, or bus upon any street, highway, or alley located in the city, except when:

1. The parking of a truck, semitrailer, **trailer, pole trailer**, recreational vehicle, or bus becomes necessary for the purpose of loading or unloading any person or persons or any personal property or for the purpose of performing other necessary work and the truck, semitrailer, **trailer, pole trailer**, recreational vehicle, or bus is moved from the street, highway, or alley immediately after the stated purpose is accomplished;
2. The vehicle is properly parked in a location controlled by a parking meter, so long as said vehicle does not exceed one (1) parking space, subject to any restrictions imposed thereon; or
3. Otherwise allowed by this chapter.
4. A school bus is parked on a city street between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

(b) The following terms, as used in this section, shall have the following meanings:

1. "Bus" means any motor vehicle other than a commuter van, designed for carrying more than ten (10) persons (625 ILCS 5/1-107).
2. "Gross vehicle weight" means the weight of any vehicle whether operated singly or in combination without load plus the weight of the load thereon (625 ILCS 5/1-125).
3. "Recreational vehicle" means any camping trailer, motor home, mini-motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, or van camper used primarily for recreational purposes and not used commercially nor owned by a commercial business (625 ILCS 5/1-169).

4. "Semitrailer" means any vehicle without motive power other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by another motor vehicle and so constructed that some part of its weight and that of its load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle (625 ILCS 5/1-187).
5. "Truck" means any motor vehicle designed or operated for the transportation of property (625 ILCS 5/1-211).
6. **"Trailer" means every vehicle without motive power in operation, other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle (625 ILCS 5/1-209).**
7. **"Pole trailer" means every vehicle without motive power designed to be drawn by another vehicle and attached to the towing vehicle by means of a reach or pole, or by being boomed or otherwise secured to the towing vehicle, and ordinarily used for transporting long or irregularly shaped loads such as poles, pipes, or structural members capable, generally, of sustaining themselves as beams between the supporting connections (625 ILCS 5/1-161).**

(c) It shall be unlawful to park or permit to be parked any truck with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty thousand (20,000) pounds or more, with or without a semitrailer, on any property upon which such parking is not a permitted use. This section shall not apply to any truck either making a delivery or waiting to make a delivery to a business located on that lot.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND APPROVAL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW.**

**PASSED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**

**VOTING YES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTING NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOT VOTING:** \_\_\_\_\_