

Ordinance No. 2560

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BILOXI LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE,
SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND ARTICLE 23-4-3(D)(10) PERTAINING TO
RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS

WHEREAS, on Thursday, October 19, 2023, the Biloxi Planning Commission held a public hearing in the Auditorium of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Municipal Building, 676 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, Biloxi, Mississippi, to hear Case No. 23-086-PC, City of Biloxi, with respect to a proposed Text Amendment to the Biloxi Land Development Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission members were apprised of the particulars of this case, being made cognizant of the fact that City of Biloxi had proposed a Text Amendment to the Biloxi Land Development Ordinance, to amend Article 23-4-3(D)(10) pertaining to Recreational Vehicle Parks; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, October 19, 2023, the Biloxi Planning Commission after much discussion voted to continue this case until November 2, 2023, giving the members adequate time to examine the proposed Code of Ordinance changes pertaining to Recreational Vehicle parks recently approved by the Biloxi City Council;

WHEREAS, on Thursday, November 2, 2023, the Biloxi Planning Commission revisited Case No. 23-086-PC, and after much discussion of this text change, voted (12-0-0) to amend Article 23-4-3(D)(10)c of the Land Development Ordinance, as follows; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, November 29, 2023, the Biloxi City Council reviewed the Planning Commission amendments and instructed the City Attorney's office to make additional revisions, which would add an additional section for Special Event Recreational Vehicle Parking; as follows:

Article 23-4-3(D)(10)f.

f. Special Event Recreational Vehicle Parking

1. Recreational Vehicle is defined as a heavy truck with more than two axles, or that exceeds 20,000 pounds of gross vehicle weight, a trailer with more than one axle, or major recreational equipment, including campers, recreational vehicles, motor homes, and travel trailers.

2. The owner of any parcel or tract of land that intends to rent or lease space for a Recreational Vehicle during special events that meet the Tier One requirements set forth in Section 12-4-1 et seq in the Code of Ordinances shall be required to obtain a parking permit for such events. Parking shall comply with the following standards:

(A) Maximum density is one Recreational Vehicle per 750 square feet.

(B) No part of any Recreational Vehicle shall be within the parcel's setbacks.

(C) Minimum of eight feet separation of vehicles from each other and from other structures.

3. Special Event Recreational Vehicle Parking shall be authorized only upon completing an application containing:

(A) Signature of titled owner of lot or parcel including owner's name, address, and contact information;

(B) Dimensions of lot or parcel;

(C) Number of spaces requested for the parcel;

(D) Number of nights — minimum of two consecutive days and maximum of ten consecutive days; and

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(E) Payment of a nonrefundable application fee of \$50.00.

4. This authorization for Special Event Recreational Vehicle Parking is only for time periods in which a Tier One Special Event occurs. All applications must be submitted to the Community Development Department at least sixty (60) days prior to the beginning of the Special Event.

5. Seven (7) days prior to the beginning of the Special Event, applicant shall submit the exact number of spaces offered for rent or lease and pay an additional fee of \$10.00 per space per night.

6. These requirements shall not apply to licensed recreational parks, businesses who customarily park campers, trucks or vehicles on their property as part of their business, or hotels who allow recreational parking as part of their business.

WHEREAS, the Biloxi City Council, after careful review determines that these additions to Article 23-4-3(D)(10) of the Land Development Ordinance are appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI HEREBY APPROVES THE CHANGES TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE; AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: Additions to the text of Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi, are hereby added, specifically, Chapter 23 Article 23-4-3(D)(10) as follows:

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SECTION TWO: All other sections of said Section 23 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Biloxi, Mississippi, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION THREE: Upon unanimous vote of the members of the City Council, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, because it serves the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of Biloxi, and good cause exists for same. If not a unanimous vote this Ordinance shall become effective as soon thereafter as is signed, certified, and as is otherwise provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance having first been reduced to writing, was read by the Clerk and moved by Councilmember Glavan, seconded by Councilmember Tisdale, and was adopted by the following vote:

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YEAS: Gines Glavan NAYS: Lawrence
McGilvary Shoemaker
Tisdale

ABSENT: Newman


The Vice-President then declared the Ordinance adopted, as amended, this the 6th day of August, 2024.



ATTEST:

APPROVED:


CLERK OF THE COUNCIL


VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 9th day of August, 2024.

APPROVED:


MAYOR