

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 66-94 OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, REGARDING PARKING VIOLATIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK:

I.

That Section 66-94 of The City of Deer Park Code Of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding the following:

Section 66-94. Parking or leaving property for more than 48 hours.

It shall be unlawful for any person or any owner knowingly to leave standing in any public street, alley or other public place any vehicle, wagon or other character of private property unattended for a longer continuous period than 48 hours.

In any prosecution charging a violation of any ordinance or regulation governing the standing or parking of a vehicle, proof that the particular vehicle described in the complaint was parked in violation of any such ordinance or regulation, together with proof that the defendant named in the complaint was, at the time of such parking, the registered owner of such vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of such vehicle was the person who parked or placed such vehicle at the point where, and for the time during which, such violation occurred.

II.

It is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted, was open to the public and the public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas.

III.

The City Council finds that this Ordinance relates to the immediate preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare, in that it is necessary that Sections 66-91(1) and 66-99 be amended in its final form so as to provide for protection of property and safety of the citizens and provide for safe parking of vehicles, which creates an emergency, for which the Charter requirement providing for the reading of Ordinances on three (3) several days should be dispensed with and this Ordinance should be passed finally on its introduction; and, accordingly, such requirement is dispensed with and this Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the City Charter, this Ordinance was introduced before the City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas, **passed, approved and adopted** on this the ____ day of _____, 2016 **by a vote of** _____ **“Ayes” and** _____ **“Noes”.**

MAYOR, City of Deer Park, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED:

City Attorney