TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO ORDINANCE NO. 747

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 8-6-10 OF THE MEAD MUNICIPAL CODE WITH REGARD TO DEFINITIONS AND AMENDING SECTION 8-6-120 OF THE MEAD MUNICIPAL CODE WITH REGARD TO THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF A VEHICLE OR OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the purpose of Article VI of the *Mead Municipal Code* is to regulate the parking and use of public streets, alleys and right-of-way to protect property values by reducing visual blight, aid in emergency access and fire safety, guard against the creation of rodent and pest harborage and reduce the impact on the natural environment from leaking motor vehicle fluids; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the definitions contained in Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* as they pertain to the regulation of parking and use of public streets, alleys and the right-of-way are to be modified for clarity; and

WHEREAS, Section 8-6-120 of the *Mead Municipal Code* prohibits the parking or storage of any vehicle or equipment utilized for human habitation for more than seven consecutive days; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Trustees to allow more flexibility in Section 8-6-120 through the provision of an administrative temporary permit to be issued by the Town Manager.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Mead, Weld County, Colorado, that:

Section 1. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the addition of the following definition:

Commercial equipment as used in this section includes but is not limited to, cargo trailers, semi-trailers, reefers, flatbed trailers, end, side and bottom-dump trailers, and similar towed devices for business, commercial or industrial purposes.

Section 2. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of a Commercial vehicle or equipment in its entirety and replacing said definition with the following:

Commercial vehicle as used in this section, is any vehicle designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons, property, or to pull equipment for business, commercial or industrial purposes.

Section 3. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of Equipment in its entirety and replacing said definition with the following:

Equipment as used in this section, is any device that is not motorized and cannot be moved along the ground without being attached to or carried upon a vehicle or other piece of equipment. including but not limited to, truck campers, fifth wheel trailers, pop-up campers, toy haulers, boat and horse trailers, utility trailers, and any similar recreational items.

Section 4. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of Aparking in its entirety and replacing it with the following definition:

Park or parking as used in this section, means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, other than very briefly for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers.

Section 5. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the addition of the following definition:

Recreational Vehicle (RV) as used in this section, means a vehicular-type unit primarily designed for recreational camping or travel use that has its own motive power, or is mounted on, or towed by another vehicle. These units include travel trailers, fifth wheel trailers, folding camping trailers, truck campers, and motor homes.

Section 6. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of AStopping or standing in its entirety, and replace it with the following definition:

Stand or standing as used in this section, means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, other than momentarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers.

Section 7. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of Astorage in its entirety, and replacing it with the following definition:

Storage or to store as used in this section, means the stationary placement of any recreational vehicle or equipment for a continuous period of seventy-two (72) hours or more. Indicators of intent to store a vehicle may include, but are not limited to, covering the vehicle with a tarp, rendering the vehicle inoperable or immobile in any fashion, or similar actions which demonstrate that such vehicle is not intended or able to be readily moved.

Section 8. Section 8-6-10 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of AVehicle or motor vehicle in its entirety, and replacing it with the following definition:

Vehicle as used in this section, means any device which is capable of moving itself, or to being moved from place to place upon wheels or endless tracks. AVehicle does not include any off-highway vehicle, snowmobile, watercraft, farm tractor or any implement of husbandry.

Section 9. Section 8-6-120 of the *Mead Municipal Code* is hereby repealed in its entirety and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 8-6-120. Residential use restricted.

- a. It shall be unlawful to park any recreational vehicle or equipment on any public right-of-way, including, any street, alley, or public parking lot, for a continuous period of seventy-two (72) hours or more, except for loading and unloading the vehicle, or for utilizing such vehicle for human habitation for a period not to exceed seven (7) days.
- b. It shall be unlawful to park or store any recreational vehicle or equipment on any private property, except:
 - i. Residents of the property may park and/or store a recreational vehicle or equipment within an enclosed parking space (garage or carport), on the driveway or a parking pad between the front or side of the house and the adjacent street, or in the rear yard of the property; provided that the vehicle does not obstruct the sidewalk or street right-of-way.
 - ii. Residents and/or visitors of the property may park and utilize a recreational vehicle for human habitation for a period not to exceed seven (7) days; provided that the vehicle does not obstruct the sidewalk or street right-of-way;
- c. A no cost, temporary permit may be obtained from the Town Manager to allow the parking of any recreational vehicle for the utilization of such vehicle for human habitation for a period exceeding seven (7) days, but not exceeding more than thirty (30) days in any calendar year. Application for the temporary permit shall be on a form provided by the Town and shall provide information, including, but not limited to, the proposed location of the vehicle, the requested time period for the permit, the status of the applicant as a resident or owner of land within the Town, and the license plate number of the vehicle for which the permit is to be issued.
- d. The Town Manager may prohibit or restrict issuance of a permit for the use of a recreational vehicle for temporary human habitation on a particular street or any portion thereof, or may designate a specific location for any particular permit, if he or she determines such prohibition, restriction, or designation is required for the public good.
- e. The vehicle must prominently display the temporary parking placard issued by the act Town at all times when the vehicle is parked on a street or private property and is being used for temporary human habitation. The temporary parking placards are to be displayed in the front window, or on the front of the vehicle.

- **Section 10.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall be published and become effective as provided by law.
- **Section 11.** Severability. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections of the Ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed the ordinance including each part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more parts, sections, subsections, sentence, clauses or phrases are declared invalid.
- **Section 12. Repealer.** All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, provided that such repealer shall not repeal the repealer clauses of such ordinance nor revive any ordinance thereby.
- **Section 13.** Certification. The Town Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and make not less than one copy of the adopted Code available for inspection by the public during regular business hours.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF September, 2014.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF MEAD

Linda Blackston, Town Clerk

Gary R. Shields, Mayor