

ORDINANCE #20-15

**CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**AN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 54 OF THE CITY CODE:
TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE USE OF THE RAMSEY PARKING RAMP

The City of Ramsey ordains:

SECTION 1 – PURPOSE

The Ramsey Parking Ramp was constructed to provide for the parking of motor vehicles by the general public, visitors to City Hall, City staff, residents of the adjoining residential units (Residence at the COR Apartment Homes), adjoining business space, and for Park and Ride users. Recently, the City became aware that the Parking Ramp is being used for activities other than the parking of a motor vehicle. Improper or unsanctioned use of the Ramsey Parking Ramp increases wear and tear on the Ramp, and risks harm to the other vehicles parked in the ramp or to the owners of those vehicles. It is the intent of this ordinance to serve the City's interest in preserving the appropriate use of the Ramsey Parking Ramp.

SECTION 2 - AUTHORITY

Pursuant to authority granted by Minnesota Statutes, Section 462.357, subdivision 1, the City of Ramsey hereby restricts and regulates the manner in which the Ramsey Parking Ramp may be used.

SECTION 3 - City Code Section 54-41 is added as follows:

Section-54-41. RAMSEY PARKING RAMP

(a) Definitions.

As used herein, the term *motor vehicle* is specifically limited to automobiles and motorcycles.

Ramsey Parking Ramp refers to the municipal parking ramp adjacent to City Hall. The legal description of the *Ramsey Parking Ramp* is Lot 2, Block 1, COR ONE, Anoka County, Minnesota.

(b) Parking Regulations.

- (1) The sole permitted use of the Ramsey Parking Ramp is the parking of motor vehicles, as that term is defined by this Section, which fit within the marked spaces.
- (2) Persons parking in the Ramsey Parking Ramp must abide by all posted signs and all space markings. Spaces reserved for residents of the residential units located on Lot 3, Block 1, COR ONE, Anoka County, Minnesota, shall only be utilized by those residents, subject to this ordinance. Only electric vehicles may park in spaces with vehicle recharging stations. Electric vehicles may only be recharged at designated recharging stations. Bicycles may only be parked in designated areas.
- (3) The following shall not be stored or parked in the Ramsey Parking Ramp:
 - a) Personal property other than permitted motor vehicles.
 - b) Recreational vehicles, including boats, jet skis, snowmobiles and ATVs.
 - c) Travel trailers, campers, RVs, motorhomes and the like.
 - d) Utility trailers, horse trailers, boat trailers, and other trailers.
 - e) Commercial / business vehicles except as provided in subsection (7) below.
- (4) Vehicle maintenance is prohibited in the Ramsey Parking Ramp. Vehicle maintenance includes changing oil, washing cars, or engaging in any other activity involving tools and/or chemical agents, except for changing flat tires, jump starting vehicles and replacing dead batteries.
- (5) Electrical outlets (other than those associated with electrical charging stations) in the Ramsey Parking Ramp are for City use only. Outlets shall not be used to plug in vehicles or to provide electrical power for any other private or business use.
- (6) No business activities may be conducted in the ramp, except as provided herein. The term business activities include loading and unloading products or goods for commercial purposes; storage of vehicles other than one driven as a personal vehicle; employee parking; and dispatching employees. Temporary use of the Ramp to park a business vehicle for delivery of products or services to City Hall, adjacent businesses, or residents of Residence at the COR Apartment Homes are excluded from this prohibition.

(7) Any vehicle violating this section may be towed at the owner's expense, and any personal property violating this section may be removed. Violation of this section is a petty misdemeanor. Violators of this section may also receive an citation, in accordance with Section 2-333 of this Code.

(c) **Severability.** Should any section, subdivision, clause, or other provision of this chapter be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Title as a whole, or of any part thereof, other than the part held to be invalid.

SECTION 4 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

ADOPTED this 28th day of July, 2020, by the City Council of the City of Ramsey.

CITY OF RAMSEY

By: _____
John LeTourneau, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colleen Lasher, City Clerk

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