

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting August 10, 2021 Second Reading for the City Council Meeting August 17, 2021

DATE: August 2, 2021

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Prohibit parking on unimproved surface on residential lots

CAPTION:

Ordinance adding Section 33-17 to Corpus Christi Code to prohibit parking on an unimproved surface on residential lots; and providing for a penaltynot to exceed \$500 per violation.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance is being proposed to City Council to beautify the city by reducing blight caused by vehicles parking on unimproved surfaces of residential yards.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Code Enforcement continues to receive complaints regarding residential properties throughout the City having vehicles parked on the unimproved street yard. Parking on unimproved surfaces of residential lots may lead to damage of underground and surface infrastructure. This activity is also a safety issue given the proximity of vehicles to pedestrian sidewalks. Vehicles parked on unimproved surfaces of residential yards create a detrimental impact on a neighborhood.

The proposed ordinance will exempt lots without driveways and lots that abut a narrow street to ensure rights-of-way do not become impassable or prevent access for emergency vehicles.

ALTERNATIVES:

Rejecting the proposed ordinance will allow for continued vehicle parking on unimproved residential street yards.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Citations will be issued to violators by Code Enforcement Officers and Police Officers. No additional officers are being proposed to enforce this ordinance.

FUNDING DETAIL:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Code Enforcement staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Proposed Ordinance Sec. 33-17 Power point for Ordinance Sec. 33-17