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# § 70.01 TITLE, PURPOSE, AND AUTHORITY.

- (A) This chapter shall be known as the *Macon County Vehicle Procession Regulatory Ordinance*, and shall be codified as Chapter 70 of the Macon County Code.
- (B) In the public interest, and for the promotion of the public safety, welfare and convenience, the following rules are adopted, which rules set forth the conditions, limitations, restrictions, and requirements under which a vehicle procession may be granted exclusive right-of-way and may be escorted by the Macon County Sheriff's Department.
- (C) This chapter is adopted pursuant to the authority conferred by G.S. § 20-169. (Ord. passed 5--1987)

# **§ 70.02 DEFINITION.**

For the purpose of this chapter the following definition shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

# **VEHICLE PROCESSION.** A group of motor vehicles:

(1) Led by a vehicle of a law enforcement agency with territorial jurisdiction, whose blue warning lights are in operation;

- (2) Traveling in single file with headlights in operation; and
- (3) The final vehicle of which shall bear a distinctive sign, flag or marking. (Ord. passed 5- -1987)

#### § 70.03 RIGHT-OF-WAY.

- (A) The operator of any motor vehicle traveling on or entering on the streets or highways within the county shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle procession.
- (B) A vehicle procession shall have the rightof-way at any intersection regardless of the method of traffic control which is present or in operation at the intersection.
- (C) Any operator of any motor vehicle who fails to yield right-of-way to a vehicle procession shall be subject to a penalty as set forth in § 70.99. (Ord. passed 5- -1987)

#### 70.04 DRIVING THROUGH PROCESSION.

No vehicle, not a part of the procession, shall be driven through a vehicle procession except the emergency vehicles set forth in G.S. §§ 20-156 and 20-157, when operated in conformity with the provisions of G.S. §§ 20-156 and 20-157. The operator of any vehicle who shall violate this section shall be subject to a penalty as set forth in § 70.99. (Ord. passed 5- -1987)

# § 70.05 SPEED OF PROCESSION.

In speed zones having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour or less, a vehicle procession may travel at the maximum speed limit. In speed zones having a maximum speed limit of greater than 20

miles per hour, a vehicle procession shall not exceed a speed of ten miles per hour less than the posted speed limit.

(Ord. passed 5--1987) Penalty, see § 70.99

# § 70.06 REQUEST FOR ESCORT TO CONSTITUTE INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT.

Any person, firm, corporation, partnership, organization, or entity whatsoever, who shall request the County Sheriff's Department to provide a vehicle to lead a vehicle procession shall be deemed to have agreed to indemnify the county, the Sheriff of Macon County and any and all of their officers, agents,

servants or employees, from any damages, harm or liability whatsoever, which shall arise from their involvement in the vehicle procession as requested. (Ord. passed 5- -1987)

# § 70.99 PENALTY.

If any person shall violate an ordinance regulating the operation or parking of vehicles, he or she shall be responsible for an infraction and shall be required to pay a penalty of not more than \$50. (G.S. § 14-4(b))

# **CHAPTER 71: PARKING**

# Section

# Disabled Individuals Accessible Parking

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Parking in front of fire hydrant, fire station or fire lane, see § 91.10
Public and private road names, see § 31.35

# DISABLED INDIVIDUALS ACCESSIBLE PARKING

# § 71.01 TITLE AND PURPOSE.

- (A) This subchapter shall be known as the *Macon County Disabled Individuals Accessible Parking Ordinance*, and shall be codified as §§ 71.01 through 71.06 of the Macon County Code.
- (B) In the public interest, and for the promotion of the public safety, welfare and convenience and to comply with the provisions of the *Americans with Disabilities Act*, being 42 USC 12101 *et seq.*, as set forth in Section 4.6 thereof, as appears in the Federal

Register, Volume 56, No. 144, (ADA Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities). (Ord. passed 3-1-1993)

# § 71.02 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this subchapter the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

**COUNTY PROPERTY.** That property owned by the county which is utilized for the purpose of providing service to the general public and/or to **DISABLED PERSONS**.

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES** or **DISABLED PERSONS.** Those individuals identified in the legislative enactment known as *The Americans with Disabilities Act*, being 42 USC 12101 *et seq*. (Ord. passed 3-1-1993)

# § 71.03 ESTABLISHMENT OF DISABLED PARKING AREAS.

- (A) There is hereby established in each parking lot which has been constructed and/or maintained by the county for the purpose of making available self-parking spaces for employees working at and visitors to property owned and/or operated by the county, certain handicapped accessible spaces which shall comply with the *Americans with Disabilities Act*.
- (B) There shall be provided a sufficient number of handicapped accessible spaces to comply with the requirements set forth in Section 4.6 of the *Americans*

With Disabilities Act, as the same appears in the Federal Register, Volume 56, No. 144.

- (C) Those parking spaces assigned pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this subchapter shall be the spaces or zones located closest to the nearest accessible entrance, on an accessible route, to the building or county facility to which parking for access is being provided.
- (D) The width of spaces and the adjacent access aisle shall be adequate to meet the needs of disabled persons, and all them to have reasonable access to county owned facilities.
- (E) One space out of every eight accessible spaces required, but not less than one space in each parking area, shall be served by an access aisle 96 inches wide and shall be designated VAN ACCESSIBLE as required by the *Americans with Disabilities Act*. (Ord. passed 3-1-1993) Penalty, see § 71.99

#### § 71.04 MARKING OF DESIGNATED ACCESSIBLE SPACES.

Accessible parking spaces shall be designated as reserved for the disabled by a sign showing the symbol of accessibility. Each space designated as van accessible shall have an additional sign designating it as such, which sign shall be mounted below the symbol of accessibility. The required signs shall be mounted and/or placed so that they will not be obscured by a vehicle parked in the designated space, or any adjoining space. (Ord. passed 3-1-1993) Penalty, see § 71.99

# § 71.05 DESIGNATION OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES FOR EXISTING COUNTY FACILITIES.

(A) *Macon County Courthouse (downtown Franklin)*. In the parking area immediately north of the Macon County Courthouse, the four spaces in the

southeast corner of the primary parking lot (not including the areas reserved for law enforcement personnel).

- (B) Macon County Health Center (U.S. Highway 64 East- Highlands Road). Three parking spaces on the southeast side of the building in the area nearest the main walkway leading to the front entrance-way of the building.
- (C) Department on Aging Building (Holly Springs Shopping Center). Four spaces located on the south side of the building, near the main entry way.
- (D) Community Facilities Building (U.S. 23-441 South). Four parking spaces in the center parking lot, two of which are in the northeast corner and two of which are in the northwest corner of the center lot nearest the building main entrance.
- (E) Covered Picnic Shelter of Macon County Recreation Park (U.S. 441 South). Three spaces, two of which shall be located in the southern portion of the parking lot nearest the walkway leading to the shelter and a third being located in the northwest corner of the lot near the baseball field.
- (F) Large Softball Field at Macon County Recreation Park (U.S. 441 South). Three spaces on the east side of the field in the paved portion of the lot, nearest the entry to the spectator seating area.
- (G) Public Swimming Pool at Macon County Recreation Park (U.S. 441 South). Four spaces located in the parking lot on the west side of the swimming pool nearest the pool, and accessible to the pool by way of a ramp.
- (H) Soccer Fields at the Macon County Industrial Park (U.S. 64 West). Two spaces in the northwest area of the parking lot nearest the refreshment stand on the south side of the soccer field.
- (I) Softball Fields at the Macon County Community Facility Building (U.S. 441 South). One space in the northeast section of the parking lot located north of the Community Building.

- (J) Macon County Airport (N.C. Highway 28 North). One space nearest the airport terminal located in the northwest corner of the paved parking lot.
- (K) *Macon County Landfill (Lakeside Drive)*. One space nearest the ramp, on the left hand side facing the Solid Waste Department Office entrance, leading to the office.
- (L) Macon County Small Business Development Center (Industrial Park Road). Two spaces on the immediate left hand side of the parking lot, in front of the building nearest the existing access ramp.
- (M) Southwestern Community College Macon County Center (Industrial Park Road). Four spaces already marked and existing, two of which are on the far western side of the front row of the parking lot serving the front of the building and accessible by a ramp, and two of which are in the center of the row nearest the rear entrance to the building and accessible by a ramp.
- (N) Macon Citizens Enterprises (Lake Emory Road). Two spaces nearest the walkway leading to the building's main entrance.
- (O) *Macon County Public Library (Wayah Street)*. Two spaces in the lot on the west side of the building, both in the northwest corner of the lot, both near the existing accessible entrance to the rear of the building.
- (P) *Hudson Library (Main Street, Highlands, N.C.)* Two spaces as presently existing nearest the main entrance to the building off Main Street. (Ord. passed 3-1-1993)

# § 71.06 RESTRICTED USE OF ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACE.

The parking spaces herein identified shall be utilized only by disabled persons as herein defined and it shall be unlawful for any other individual to occupy parking spaces which are designated in accordance with the terms of this subchapter.

(Ord. passed 3-1-1993)

# § 71.99 PENALTY.

Violation of §§ 71.01 through 71.06 shall be punishable pursuant to G.S. § 20-37.6(f) and G.S. §§ 130A-309.09A to 130A-309.09C. (Ord. passed 3-1-1993)