

First Reading: March 5, 2024
Second Reading: March 12, 2024

ORDINANCE NO. 14091

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE,
PART II, CHAPTER 35, RELATIVE TO THE WRECKER
BOARD.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CHATTANOOGA,
TENNESSEE, That Part II, Chattanooga City Code, Chapter 35, Section 35-149, be amended by
deleting same in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof as follows:

Sec. 35-149. Wrecker board.

- (a) The city Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board established by section 35-17 of this Code is hereby granted the authority and jurisdiction to regulate wreckers, and the Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board may alternatively be referred to in this article as the Wrecker Board.
- (b) The Wrecker Board shall meet every first Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the City Council Assembly Room, and at such other times as it shall deem necessary.
- (c) The Wrecker Board shall have the authority to approve, revoke, or suspend district wrecker permits, and otherwise administer the provisions of this article.
- (d) The action of the Wrecker Board in granting or refusing a district wrecker permit or in revoking or suspending a district wrecker permit shall be final, except as it may be subject to review by law.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Part II, Chattanooga City Code,
Chapter 35, Section 35-147, be amended by deleting same in its entirety and substituting in lieu
thereof as follows:

Sec. 35-147. Definitions.

For purposes of this article, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings
respectively ascribed to them by this section:

District wrecker. All wrecker or towing operators licensed by the City under this article qualify to be placed on the rotation call list to respond to requests for towing of vehicles made by the City.

Inside storage. The storing of a motor vehicle within an enclosed building being used by the wrecker or towing operator at the operator's place of business.

Normal business hours. The hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Outside storage. The storing of a motor vehicle within a lot or premises being used by the wrecker or towing operator at the operator's place of business, but not inside storage as described above.

Wrecker board. The Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board created to administer this article.

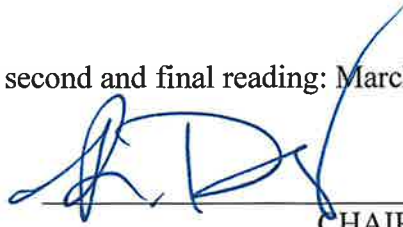
Wrecker inspector. That officer or employee of the City Police Department designated by the Chief of Police as the person responsible for receiving applications, conducting investigations of proposed wrecker operators, and making recommendations to the Wrecker Board.

Wrecker or towing operator. Any person engaged in the business of, or offering the services of, a wrecker or towing service to remove wrecked or disabled vehicles at the request or call of the City Police Department or other department of the City, whereby motor vehicles are or may be towed or otherwise removed from one (1) place to another by the use of a motor vehicle adapted to and designed for that purpose.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Part II, Chattanooga City Code, Chapter 35, Section 35-160, be amended to replace “Beer & Wrecker Board” in subsection (4) with “Wrecker Board”.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from and after its passage.

Passed on second and final reading: March 12, 2024



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