

ORDINANCE NO.: 5228

AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Sections 44-1(b)(1) and 44-111, to repeal Section 44-107 and to remove the reference to 44-107 in the Parking Violation Table in Section 44-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding alternative side parking.

THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of La Crosse do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Subsection 44-1(b)(1) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (1) *Meter parking, alternate side parking and overtime parking.* The forfeiture for violations of the provisions of section 44-113, relating to parking in metered zones, lots, or ramps; section ~~44-111~~ ~~44-107~~, relating to alternate side parking; section 44-109, relating to City Hall parking lot; and violation of the parking time restrictions pursuant to section 44-39 may be discharged by forwarding within ten days of the issuance of the parking violation notice to the Director of Finance/Treasurer the initial forfeiture amount shown in the following Parking Violation Table. If the prescribed forfeiture is not so forwarded the penalty may be discharged by forwarding within 45 days of the date of parking violation notice to the Director of Finance/Treasurer the amount shown in said Parking Violation Table for forfeitures paid after ten days and before 45 days.

SECTION II: The Parking Violation Table located in Section 44-1 regarding Alternate Side Parking is hereby amended to read as follows:

Parking Violation Table

Violation	Initial Forfeiture	After 10 Days & Before 46 Days	46 Days or After
<del>§ 44-107</del> & 44-111 Alternate Side Parking			
1st violation within a calendar year	\$0.00		
2nd and any additional violations within a calendar year	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$60.00

SECTION III: Subsection 44-107 is hereby repealed.

SECTION IV: Subsection 44-111 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 44-111. - Emergency or maintenance alternate side ~~night~~ parking on streets—~~March 16 through November 14.~~

- (a) *Declaration of emergency or maintenance alternate side ~~night~~ parking—~~March 16 through November 14.~~* Whenever in the opinion of the Superintendent of Streets, or that person's designee, an emergency exists in the City because of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snow drifts or other natural phenomena which would create or will likely create hazardous road conditions impeding or likely to impede the free movement of fire, health, police, emergency or other vehicular traffic or otherwise endanger the safety or welfare of the community or other maintenance is necessary to prevent or clear road obstructions, such official may declare emergency alternate side ~~night~~ parking to exist. A prediction by the National Weather Service for the possible accumulation of three or more inches of snow on roadways for any part of the City of La Crosse is hereby declared as adequate reasoning for the declaration of a snow emergency. Notice of such emergency shall be given by press, electronic notification, radio or television, which news media shall be requested to cooperate with City officials and when given, such notice shall constitute due and proper notice. When in the opinion of such official that such emergency conditions no longer exist for the aforesaid emergency he/she

is authorized to terminate the emergency period. Unless otherwise specified by such official, the period of alternative side parking will run for a consecutive forty-eight (48) hours after notice is issued. Notice of the emergency alternate side parking will be provided at least six ~~four~~ hours prior to the penalties section herein taking effect.

- (b) ~~Emergency alternate side night parking—March 16 through November 14.~~ Whenever emergency alternate side ~~night~~ parking is declared, alternate side ~~night~~ parking regulations shall immediately be in effect on all streets in the City of La Crosse. Such regulations shall apply as follows:
- (1) ~~The provisions of this section shall only be in effect between 12:01 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.~~
- (1) ~~(2)~~ On odd-numbered days, vehicles shall only be parked, stopped or left standing on that side of the street having odd-numbered addresses.
- (2) ~~(3)~~ On even-numbered days, vehicles shall only be parked, stopped or left standing on that side of the street having even-numbered addresses.
- (3) ~~(4)~~ The provisions of this section shall not supersede more restrictive parking regulations such as no parking zones, etc. in effect in the City including without limitation.
- (4) It shall be considered prima facia evidence that upon ~~four~~ six hours after public notification of the start of alternate side parking, all sections of this ordinance are fully enforceable. Ignorance is not considered a valid defense for a violation.
- (5) Exemptions. Vehicles are exempt from alternate side parking under snow emergencies declarations where parking is normally permitted only on one side of the street and in the downtown business district.
- (c) *Vehicles stopped—Removal.* In the event any vehicle is stopped, parked, abandoned or left unattended in violation of this section, the Superintendent of Streets, or the Chief of Police, including also all the employees of the streets department, and the Police Department of the City, are authorized to remove or cause to be removed any such vehicle and to have such vehicle towed away.

SECTION V: Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this division shall not be affected.

SECTION VI: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mitch Reynolds, Mayor

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Nikki M. Elsen, City Clerk

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