

**LANGUAGE TO AMEND POTTERVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE**  
**ARTICLE 3 – DEFINITIONS**  
**AND**  
**ARTICLE 4.05 – PARKING OF VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS**

3.02 DEFINITIONS

13. *Driveway.* A space on a lot, not to exceed in width thirty (30) percent of the width of the lot or thirty-six (36) feet whichever is less, except where such space forms the apron to the entrance of a garage, specifically designated and used by licensed motor vehicles to provide access from parcels of land to a public or private street. For parcels that occupy a corner lot the total width of all driveways shall not exceed 30% of the width of the street address.

47. *Recreational Vehicle.* A vehicle or equipment intended for temporary or periodic use for recreational or leisure pursuits. Such vehicles shall include, but are not limited to, boats, airplanes, special purpose automobiles, floats, rafts, trailers, snowmobiles, RTVs and ATVs, camping or travel trailers, motorized homes, detachable travel equipment of the type adaptable to light trucks, and other equipment or vehicles of a similar nature.

4.05 PARKING OF VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

1. In those residential districts described in article 5, zoning districts, section 4.05, inclusive, and delineated upon the official zoning map established, no person shall park or place a motor vehicle, recreational vehicle i.e. trailer or watercraft in a front yard. However, this section shall not apply:
  - (a) To vehicles parked or placed in a driveway;
  - (b) While engaged in actual loading or unloading, not to exceed twelve (12) hours;
  - (c) While engaged in washing or cleaning of a vehicle, not to exceed twelve (12) hours;
  - (d) Where parking areas were legally established by designating front yard parking on plot plans in connection with plans submitted for building permits which were issued prior to the effective date of this chapter;
  - (e) Where prior to such effective date, parking areas were established in front yards as an accessory use to a lawful conforming use by the development of a hard-surfaced parking areas;
  - (f) Where any person parking or placing any motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft in a front yard is handicapped and has been issued a valid certificate attesting thereto, pursuant to Public Act 300 of 1949, as amended (MCLA 257.1 et seq., as amended);
2. No recreational vehicle parked or stored outdoors shall be connected to electricity, water, gas or sanitary features for living purposes. Nor shall the same be used for living or lodging purposes, without obtaining up to a seven (7) day temporary permit.
3. Commercial vehicles - For R-1, R-2, and R-3 Districts not more than one (1) commercial motor vehicle not exceeding one ton rated capacity shall be permitted per housing unit, provided that no truck trailers shall be permitted.

4. Surfacing - Unless otherwise provided for in this section, all off-street parking areas, access lanes, driveways and other vehicle maneuvering areas shall be hard-surfaced with a durable and smooth surface, or alternatively, with continuous ribbon strips consisting of asphalt, concrete or brick pavers. Improved surfaces in the back yard will not exceed thirty (30) percent of the area of the back yard.
5. Citations can be issued by the Zoning Administrator in cases of non-compliance as allowed in Section 25.06 of this ordinance. All parking situations found to be non-conforming at the time of this ordinance shall be notified in writing by the Zoning Administrator of their non-conforming status within six (6) months. All non-conforming cases shall be given notice to comply within ninety (90) days or seek a variance before the Zoning Board of Appeals. No fee for variance request will be charged per Section 24.12 of this ordinance.

Motion to adopt ordinance moved by E. Ross, and seconded by Stimer.

Yeas: R. Ross, Stimer, Metzmaker, E. Ross, Stahly

Nays: Hammond, Kendrick

Ordinance effective date: May 13, 2010.

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Potterville, Eaton County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the City Council of said City at a regular meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010.

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Hillary Walilko  
Potterville City Clerk