

CHAPTER VIII. HEALTH AND WELFARE

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8-301. FINDING OF GOVERNING BODY. The governing body finds that junked, wrecked, dismantled, inoperative or abandoned vehicles affect the health, safety and general welfare of citizens of the city because they:

- (a) Serve as a breeding ground for flies, mosquitoes, rats and other insects and rodents;
- (b) Are a danger to persons, particularly children, because of broken glass, sharp metal protrusions, insecure mounting on blocks, jacks or other supports;
- (c) Are a ready source of fire and explosion;
- (d) Encourage pilfering and theft;
- (e) Constitute a blighting influence upon the area in which they are located; and
- (f) Constitute a fire hazard because they frequently block access for fire equipment to adjacent buildings and structures.

(Code 1984)

8-302. DEFINITIONS. As used in this article, the following terms shall mean:

- (a) ***Inoperative.*** A condition of being junked, wrecked, wholly or partially dismantled, discarded, abandoned or unable to perform the function or purpose for which it was originally constructed;
- (b) ***Vehicle*** means any automobile, truck, tractor or motorcycle which as originally built contained an engine, regardless of whether it contains an engine at any other time.

(Code 1984)

8-303. INOPERATIVE VEHICLES PROHIBITED. Inoperative vehicles which are junked, wrecked, dismantled, inoperative, discarded, unregistered, unlicensed, or abandoned in and upon property within the city shall be prohibited. The removal of such vehicles shall be governed by the provisions of the Property Maintenance Code incorporated by Section 8-501 et seq., and other provisions of this Code.

(Ord. 692; 04-06-81)

(Code 2000)

(Ord. 1941C; 01-22-02)