

ORDINANCE NO. 846

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING PARKING CITATIONS AND OWNER RESPONSIBILITY,
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 562, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 24 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 24. Parking Citations and Owner Responsibility.

(1) Citation on illegally parked vehicle. Whenever a vehicle without an operator is found parked in violation of a restriction imposed by this ordinance or state law, the officer finding the vehicle shall take its license number and any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its owner, and shall conspicuously affix to the vehicle a parking citation instructing the operator to answer to the charge against him or pay the penalty imposed within three (3) days during the hours and at a place specified in the citation.

(2) Failure to comply with traffic citation attached to parked vehicle. If the operator does not respond to a parking citation affixed to a vehicle within the period of three (3) days, the Municipal Court Clerk shall send to the owner of the vehicle to which the parking citation was affixed, a letter informing the owner of the violation and warning him that in the event that the letter is disregarded for a period of five (5) days, a warrant for the arrest of the owner will be issued.

(3) Owner Responsibility. The owner of a vehicle placed in violation of a parking restriction shall be responsible for the offense, except when the use of the vehicle was secured by the operator without the owner's consent.

(4) Registered owner presumption. In a prosecution of a vehicle owner charging a violation of a restriction on parking, proof that the vehicle at the time of the violation was registered to the defendant shall constitute a presumption that the defendant was then the owner in fact.

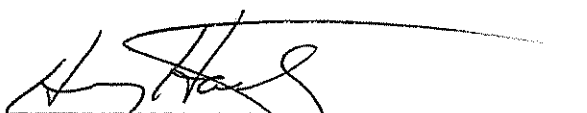
2. All other Sections of Ordinance No. 562 shall remain in full force and effect.


3. Inasmuch as it is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the City of Prineville that this ordinance go into effect immediately after its passage, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED by the City Council this 14th day of April, 1981.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 14th day of April, 1981.

ATTEST:


Henry Hartley, City Administrator
Recorder


David C. Asher, Mayor