

## ORDINANCE NO. 1109

### AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING INVENTORIES OF VEHICLES IMPOUNDED BY THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

#### RECITALS:

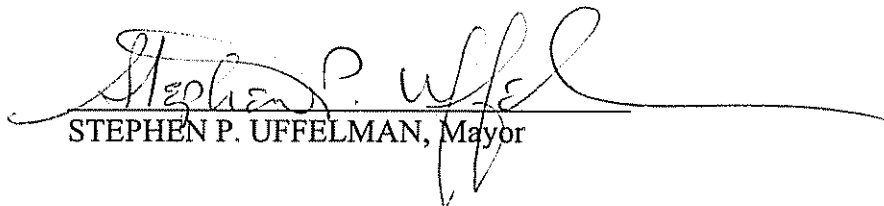
- A. ORS 809.720 allows a vehicle to be impounded for driving while suspended or revoked, driving while under the influence of intoxicants, driving uninsured, operating without driving privileges or in violation of license restrictions.
- B. Vehicles impounded should be inventoried to: 1) protect the owner's property while the property is in police custody; 2) reduce and prevent the assertion of false claims against police; and 3) to protect police and others from the dangers of impoundment of uninventoried property.

BASED UPON THE ABOVE RECITALS, the people of the City of Prineville ordain as follows:

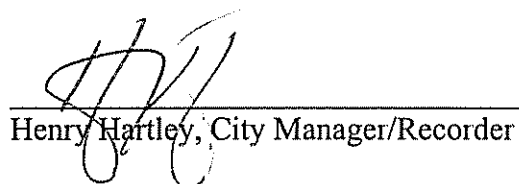
1. When a vehicle is impounded pursuant to Oregon State Statutes (currently ORS 809.720), or pursuant to City Ordinance, the contents of such vehicle shall be inventoried by a representative of the City of Prineville Police Department.
2. Such inventory should be conducted in the location in which the vehicle is seized, unless limited by reasons of safety or practicality. If the inventory is not conducted in such location it may be inventoried at a later time following impoundment.
3. The owner or operator of the vehicle shall be asked to remove, if possible, all valuables from the vehicle prior to impoundment. If such items cannot be removed, they shall be inventoried before the vehicle is removed, and the owner or operator shall be requested to verify the completeness of that portion of the inventory by signature.
4. A vehicle inventory may extend to all areas of the vehicle in which personal property or hazardous materials may reasonably be found, including but not limited to the passenger compartment, trunk, and glove compartment.
5. All unlocked containers found within or on the vehicle shall be opened and the contents inventoried.
6. An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed by the City Council this 9th day of March, 2004.

Signed by the Mayor this 9th day of March, 2004

  
STEPHEN P. UFFELMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Henry Hartley, City Manager/Recorder