

ORDINANCE NO. 4358

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VENTURA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULATING PARKING AND STORING OF OVERSIZED
VEHICLES IN THE OAK PARK COMMUNITY**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Ventura ordains as follows:

1. Section 7251 as enacted by Ordinance No. 4232 is hereby repealed and a new Section 7251 is added to Division 7 of Chapter 1 of the Ventura County Ordinance Code to read as follows:

**SEC 7251 – OVERSIZED VEHICLE PARKING PROHIBITION,
OAK PARK AREA**

(a) DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this section, the following words or phrases shall be defined as follows unless the context clearly otherwise requires:

- (1) "OAK PARK COMMUNITY" is that geographic area within the unincorporated area of Ventura County lying easterly of the City of Thousand Oaks, northerly of Los Angeles County, southerly of the City of Simi Valley, and westerly of the Santa Monica Mountains Recreation Area.
- (2) "Oversized vehicle" means any vehicle, as the word "vehicle" is defined in the California Vehicle Code (CVC), or a combination of connected vehicles, which exceeds twenty-five feet in length, and/or eighty inches in width, and/or eighty-two inches in height, exclusive of such projecting lights or devices as are expressly allowed pursuant to the CVC as it now exists or hereafter may be amended.
- (3) "Recreational vehicle" means any vehicle used for recreational purposes including, but not limited to, motor homes and any trailer used for the transportation of recreational or leisure items.
- (4) "Highway" shall be as defined in the CVC.

(b) **PARKING OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES PROHIBITED.** Except as provided in Section (c) of this Ordinance, it is unlawful to park or leave standing any oversized vehicle at any time upon any highway within the Oak Park Community. Any violation of this section shall be subject to a fine in the amount of \$30 in addition to any administrative charges or penalties authorized under the CVC.

(c) **EXEMPTIONS.** This ordinance shall not apply:

- (1) To an oversized recreational vehicle, while any person is in preparation for a trip, or in the process of recovery from a trip in that recreational vehicle. Such preparation or recovery shall not exceed 72 hours. For the purpose of these exemptions, a trip is defined as an excursion outside of the Oak Park Community for a continuous period in excess of 24 hours duration. The exemption period is 72 hours; or
- (2) While any person is actively engaged in making temporary or emergency repairs to an oversized vehicle; for a period not to exceed 72 hours; or
- (3) While any person is actively engaged in the pickup or delivery of goods, wares, and merchandise, including, without limitation, building materials, from or to a property or building located in the County; or
- (4) To any publicly owned vehicle; or
- (5) To any oversized vehicle properly displaying a valid special identification license plate issued pursuant to CVC Section 5007 or a distinguishing placard issued pursuant to Section 22511.55 or 22511.59.
- (6) To oversized vehicles that are work vehicles not otherwise restricted by local property or homeowners association restrictions and are parked wholly abutting the real property upon which the vehicle owner's residence is located.

For purposes of this exemption, work vehicles are vehicles used for a minimum of 16 trips of not less than four hours every four weeks.

No permit shall be issued if the resident has space on the driveway of the residence for parking the work vehicle in a manner that is not restricted by law or local property or homeowners association restrictions. Exemptions for work vehicles shall be by permit only.

(7) To residents whose primary vehicle for transporting family members or other dependents to schools, hospitals or other essential community services is an oversized vehicle, as determined by this ordinance, and implementation of the vehicle restriction would be an undue hardship. Such exemptions will be by permit only.

(8) All permits for the exemptions authorized by paragraphs 6 and 7 shall be issued by a sub-committee comprised of the members of the Oak Park Municipal Advisory Council, who shall establish administrative procedures for review of permit applications and the issuance and revocation of permits. The sub-committee shall have authority to revoke a permit if substantial evidence demonstrates that the permit holder has violated this ordinance or any statute regulating the parking of vehicles. Revocations shall be for the following duration:

First revocation: 90 days

Second revocation: 180 days

Third revocation and any revocation thereafter: 360 days

(d) POSTED SIGNS. Signs giving reasonable notice of the prohibition established by this ordinance shall be erected as required by CVC Section 22507.

(e) ENFORCEMENT. Enforcement shall be compliant driven, whether by uniformed officer or Oak Park resident.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of FEBRUARY 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: BENNETT, FOY, FLYNN AND PARKS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: LONG

Linda Parks
Chair, Ventura County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: JOHN F. JOHNSON
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Ventura, State of California
By: Kathryn Reese
Deputy Clerk of the Board

