

CITY OF PLATO

ORDINANCE NO. 89

AN ORDINANCE REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 54 REGULATING WINTER PARKING ON THE PUBLIC STREETS

The City Council of the City of Plato, Minnesota, ordain:

Section 1.

In cases where a snow fall of an average of at least 2 inches has occurred in the City of Plato, no motor vehicles, trailers, machines or any other items which would impede the clearing of snow, shall be parked or placed on public rights of way, including streets, alleyways and public parking lots, until such time as this snow has been removed, curb to curb, from said rights of way by the contractor hired by the city for that purpose.

Section 2.

Snowbirds (motor vehicles, trailers, machines, etc. left on the street during a snow event) are hereby declared to be a nuisance and unlawful within the City of Plato.

Section 3.

This ordinance shall be subject to the penalty for violation of this ordinance notwithstanding whether or not such person, firm or corporation actually parked such a vehicle. The owner of any vehicle for the purpose of this provision shall be the recorded owner according to the registration thereof, and of record with the office of the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety.

Section 4.

Any peace officer who finds a motor vehicle, trailer, machinery or other object in violation of Section 1 above, is authorized under this ordinance to have the item removed at the owner's expense, to be taken and stored at an impound location designated by the city. In addition to the cost of removal, the owner shall also be liable for any storage charges incurred at the impound facility.

Section 5.

Each violation of this ordinance may be cited by the peace officer. Said violation shall be considered a Petty Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of no more than \$300.00, or such higher amount as prescribed in Minnesota Statute 609.0332 or any law amending or replacing said State law. All fines are in addition to the expenses noted in Section 4 above.

Section 6.

This Ordinance replaces Ordinance No. 54 and any other ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance.

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

Adopted by the City Council this 13th day of April, 2015

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By Bob Becker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jenni Scott
City Clerk

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