



OPEN COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Municipal Center Council Chambers
1616 Humboldt Ave, West St. Paul, MN 55118
Monday, February 23, 2026
5:30 PM

1. Welcome and Note Attendance

2. Agenda Item(s)

A. Consider Appointments to Boards and Commissions

B. Parking Over 48 Hours - Ordinance Discussion

Documents:

[OCWS ITEM - 48 HOUR PARKING ORDINANCE DISCUSSION.PDF](#)
[ATTACHMENT - ORDINANCE SECTION 72.PDF](#)

C. Snow Emergency - Ordinance Discussion

Documents:

[OCWS ITEM - SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCE DISCUSSION.PDF](#)
[ATTACHMENT - ORDINANCE SECTION 74.PDF](#)

D. Strategic Plan Update

3. Regular Meeting Consent Agenda Review

4. Adjourn

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Subject: Parking Over 48 Hours - Ordinance Discussion

Meeting Date: February 23, 2026	
Submitted/Presented by/Department: Ross Beckwith - Public Works	
Action Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent Item	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion/Direction
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Informational Only
<input type="checkbox"/> Action/Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Report
<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Action	
NA	
Background	
<p>At a recent OCWS, there was discussion about putting a time limit on parking privately owned trailers/boats on city streets. Staff will give an overview of the proposed changes to the current Parking Over 48 Hours ordinance.</p> <p>A Regular Council Agenda Item has been prepared should Council decide to move forward with the first reading and public hearing.</p>	
Attachments	
Proposed Ordinance Changes	
Previous Relevant Actions	
Alternatives	
Financial	
Budgeted: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Financial Impact
Fund:	
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**CITY OF WEST ST. PAUL
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE 26-

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.02 OF THE ZONING CODE REGARDING
PARKING OVER 48 HOURS**

The City Council of the City of West Saint Paul does ordain:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. West St. Paul City Code Section 72.02 is hereby amended as follows:

§ 72.02 PARKING OVER 48 HOURS.

- A. No vehicle shall be parked continuously upon any street or alley at a place not contiguous or adjacent to the residence of its owner for more than 48 hours.
- B. No recreational equipment or recreational vehicles including all-terrain vehicles (ATV's), boats, utility trailers, enclosed trailers, motor homes, travel trailers or other similar vehicles shall be parked contiguously upon any street or alley for more than 48 hours.

SECTION 2. SUMMARY PUBLICATION. Pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 412.191, in the case of a lengthy ordinance, a summary may be published. While a copy of the entire ordinance is available without cost at the office of the City Clerk, the following summary is approved by the City Council and shall be published in lieu of publishing the entire ordinance:

This ordinance updates section 72.02 of the West St. Paul City Code regarding parking over 48 hours. The updates expand limitations on vehicles and equipment that cannot be parked on the street or alleyways for over 48 hours, including all-terrain vehicles, boats, trailers, motor homes, and other similar recreational vehicles or equipment.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication according to law.

Passed by the City Council of the City of West St. Paul Minnesota this 9th day of March 2026.

Attest:

David J. Napier, Mayor

Nicole Tillander, City Clerk

Subject: Snow Emergency - Ordinance Discussion

Meeting Date: February 23, 2026	
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Action	
NA	
Background	
Staff will give an overview of proposed changes to the current Snow Emergency Ordinance.	
A Regular Council Agenda Item has been prepared should Council choose to move forward with the first reading and public hearing.	
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Proposed Ordinance Changes	
Previous Relevant Actions	
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**CITY OF WEST ST. PAUL
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE 26-

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 24 OF THE ZONING CODE REGARDING
SNOW EMERGENCIES**

The City Council of the City of West Saint Paul does ordain:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. West St. Paul City Code Section 24 is hereby amended as follows:

Schedule

I. Snow emergency routes

SCHEDULE I. SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES.

(A) *Definition.* **SNOWFALL** means a new accumulation of snow of two and one-half inches or more. The National Weather Service will measure snowfall accumulation.

(B) *Declaration of emergency.* Whenever in the opinion of the City Engineer or the Chief of Police an emergency exists in the city, or in a section or sections thereof, because of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snowdrifts or other natural phenomena that create, or are likely to create, hazardous road conditions impeding, or are likely to impede the free movement of fire, health, police, emergency or other vehicular traffic, or the safety and welfare of the community, the City Engineer or the Chief of Police may declare an emergency to exist for a period of 48 hours, but the emergency may be sooner terminated if conditions permit. Notice of the emergency shall be provided through official City communications channels including the City's website, City-managed social media platforms, email or SMS notifications to subscribers.

(C) *Snow emergency routes designated.* The following streets are snow emergency routes:

- (1) Annapolis Street;
- (2) Bernard Street;
- (3) Butler Avenue;
- (4) Charlton Street;
- (5) Delaware Avenue;
- (6) Dodd Road;
- (7) Emerson Avenue;
- (8) Marie Avenue;
- (9) Mendota Road;
- (10) Moreland Avenue;
- (11) Oakdale Avenue;
- (12) Stryker Avenue;
- (13) Robert Street South;
- (14) Smith Avenue South;
- (15) Thompson Avenue; and

(16) Wentworth Avenue.

(D) *General rule.* No vehicle may be parked or left unattended after 2:00 a.m. on any street designated as a snow emergency route after any snowfall. Unless further restricted by posted sign, parking may be resumed on streets immediately after they have been plowed of snow.

(E) *Other streets and paved alleys.* No vehicle or trailer may be parked or left unattended between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on any other street or paved alley after any snowfall until the street or paved alley has been plowed of snow. After plowing, parking may be resumed, unless further restricted by posted signs.

(F) *Towing.* Any vehicle or trailer parked in violation of this section may be towed off the street or paved alley by the city at the owner's expense.

(G) *Exception.* If any street is not plowed within 48 hours after the last snowfall or after the emergency has been terminated, it is not a violation of this section to thereafter park a vehicle on the street.

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This ordinance amends Chapter 74 of the West St. Paul City Code regarding Snow Emergencies. Specifically, this ordinance amends the length of snow emergencies and updates methods of communication when snow emergencies are announced. This ordinance also clarifies that vehicles and trailers are not allowed to be parked on the streets or paved alleys during a snow emergency.

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