

CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA
ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA,
AMENDING CHAPTER 26 - "PARKING OF
NONCOMMERCIAL VEHICLES USED FOR RECREATIONAL
PURPOSES AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES," ARTICLE 1
- "IN GENERAL," SECTION 26-3 "PARKING
REGULATIONS FOR NONCOMMERCIAL VEHICLES USED
FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES"; PROVIDING FOR
REGISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR BACK AND SIDE YARD
PARKING; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTION; PROVIDING
FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION;
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
MARGATE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1: The Code of Ordinances of the City of
Margate, Florida, CHAPTER 26 - "Parking of Noncommercial
Vehicles Used For Recreational Purposes and Commercial
Vehicles," Article 1 - "In General," Section 26-3 "Parking
regulations for noncommercial vehicles used for recreational
purposes," is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 26-3. Parking regulations for noncommercial vehicles used
for recreational purposes.**

1 (a) The parking of any noncommercial vehicle(s) used for
2 recreational purposes listed in this chapter shall be
3 permitted in any residentially zoned district of the city,
4 subject to the following conditions:

5 (1) Said vehicle(s) shall be parked only on the property
6 which is the residence or place of abode of the owner of
7 said vehicle.

8 (2) Registration:

9 (a) Said vehicle(s) which, pursuant to state law, must be
10 registered or licensed, shall have a current registration
11 and/or license.

12 (b) The property owner, or tenant of said property shall
13 register each noncommercial vehicle used for recreational
14 purposes annually with the City by applying for a permit
15 through Building and Code Services. The individual
16 registering the noncommercial vehicle used for
17 recreational purposes with the City's Building and Code
18 Services shall be the same individual who is identified on
19 the state of Florida vehicle registration form.

20 (c) Registration stickers will be issued for each
21 noncommercial vehicle used for recreational purposes and

1 shall be affixed to said vehicle. The owner or tenant
2 shall ensure that the registration sticker is available
3 for inspection and visible from the street. In those
4 instances where the noncommercial vehicle used for
5 recreational purposes is parked behind a fence or other
6 screening, the owner/tenant must produce a copy of the
7 sticker or registration documentation upon request by an
8 authorized city representative. The registration sticker
9 for noncommercial vehicles used for recreational purposes
10 is valid for one year from the date of issuance.

11 (3) Said vehicle(s) shall not be parked on any public
12 dedicated street, sidewalk or right-of-way (including any
13 swale or parkway).

14 (4) Said vehicle(s) shall be parked only in backyards or
15 side yards such that no portion of the vehicle protrudes
16 past, or in front of facades of any residence. The surface
17 utilized to drive said vehicle from the street to the back
18 or side yard shall be an improved surface constructed and
19 permitted by the City of Margate Building and Code
20 Services Department. Maintenance of this improved surface
21 shall be the same as provided for by Sec. 35-0.2.

1 As an exception to the immediately preceding paragraph, a
2 noncommercial vehicle(s) used for recreational purposes
3 may be parked in any driveway or any area constructed and
4 permitted by the Building and Code Services Department
5 of the Ceity, so long as it does not block line of site
6 creating a potential safety hazard. In addition,
7 noncommercial vehicles used for recreational purposes
8 shall not occupy a parking space which results in the
9 owner or tenant to park any other vehicle on the front
10 lawn of the residential property or in the public right of
11 way.

12 (5) Said vehicle(s) shall not display commercial lettering
13 nor have any equipment, materials, or devices associated
14 with a commercial or industrial use visible. The existence
15 of such lettering, equipment, materials or devices shall
16 automatically deem the vehicle as a "commercial vehicle,"
17 subject to the provisions of section 26-2 above.

18 (6) Said vehicle(s) shall not exceed thirty-five (35) feet
19 in length from the front to the back.

20 (b) The parking of any noncommercial vehicle(s) used for
21 recreational purposes listed in this chapter shall be

1 prohibited in any nonresidential zoning district, unless the
2 property whereon said vehicle is parked contains a bona fide
3 business involving the sales, storage, or repair of such
4 vehicle(s). Parking for customers and individuals doing
5 business with an establishment for which parking is provided
6 shall constitute an accessory use under this provision, and
7 therefore shall not be prohibited.

8 **SECTION 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in
9 conflict herewith are and the same is hereby repealed to the
10 extent of such conflict.

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12 **SECTION 3:** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase
13 of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by
14 a court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in
15 no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this
16 ordinance.

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18 **SECTION 4:** It is the intention of the City Commission
19 that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made
20 a part of the City of Margate Code, and that the sections of
21 this ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and the word
22 "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article" or such

other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption at its second reading.

PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS ____ day of _____, 2025.

PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

JENNIFER M. JOHNSON
CITY CLERK

MAYOR ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ

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