

Ord.  
2002-0328

INTRODUCED BY: APRIL BLACK, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT V  
(DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING)

ORDINANCE NO. 02-9-11

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16 Nuisances, Article II, Abandoned, Junked or Wrecked Vehicles, Section 16-12 Removal by Parish to lessen the time to remove abandoned/derelict vehicles which are located on public right-of-ways.

**WHEREAS,** It is in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare of St. Charles Parish to remove abandoned/derelict vehicles from public right-of-ways; and,

**WHEREAS,** Currently, the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances requires a ten day waiting period before derelict vehicles can be removed; and,

**WHEREAS,** The St. Charles Parish Council desires to lessen the waiting period for removing abandoned/derelict vehicles from public right-of-ways to three (3) days; and,

**WHEREAS,** The St. Charles Parish Council desires to impose a removal fee of \$250.00 for each abandoned/derelict vehicle removed from the public right-of-ways.

**THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION I.** That the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 16, Article II, Section 16-12, (b).thru (c), is hereby amended as follows:

(b) For purposes of determining the status of any such junked, wrecked, derelict or abandoned automobile or motor vehicle, the Department of Public Works or any other Department so designated by the Parish President, shall appoint inspectors who may be any of the personnel of that Department at the discretion of the Director, who shall mark down the location, the type, make, color and license registration, if there be any, of the vehicle. The inspectors shall tag and number such cars and provide ~~ten (10)~~ **days' three (3) days** notice of the intention of the Parish to remove **from public right-of-ways and/or public property** and destroy the said motor vehicles. **Abandoned/derelict vehicles on private property shall** removed by their owners within ten (10) days of the notice, the said automobiles and motor vehicles shall be removed and destroyed by the department of public works or any other department so designated by the parish president.

(c) The Department of Public Works or any other Department so designated by the Parish President is authorized to use whatever means and method they have at their disposal for the removal of these automobiles and, if necessary, to sell these vehicles to defray the cost of their removal. **Abandoned/derelict vehicles on public right-of-ways and/or public property shall be assessed a removal fee of \$250.00.**

(Ord. No. 81-1-7, §§ 2-4, 1-5-81)

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: RAMCHANDRAN, FAUCHEUX, HILAIRE, FABRE, ABADIE, AUTHEMENT, BLACK, MARINO, MINNICH

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2002, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: *[Signature]*

SECRETARY: *[Signature]*

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: *[Signature]*

APPROVED: *[Signature]*

DISAPPROVED: *[Signature]*

PARISH PRESIDENT: *[Signature]*

RETD/SECRETARY: *[Signature]*

AT: 4:00 pm

RECD BY *[Signature]*

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