

ORDINANCE NUMBER 26-24

An ordinance to add Section 16-234 to the Beatrice City Code regarding registration requirements for parked vehicles; and to provide for publication in electronic form and for an effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. That Section 16-234 of the Beatrice City Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 16-234. Registration required; parked vehicles.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park any motor vehicle upon any street or public way within the city without having registered it as provided by state law.
- (b) A person who parks a motor vehicle on any street or public way, which vehicle has been properly registered in this state, but such registration has expired, shall not be in violation of this section unless thirty (30) calendar days have passed from the expiration of the prior registration.
- (c) If any vehicle is found upon any street or public way within the city in violation of this section, and the identity of the owner cannot be determined, the owner or person in whose name such vehicle was last registered shall be held prima facie responsible for such violation."

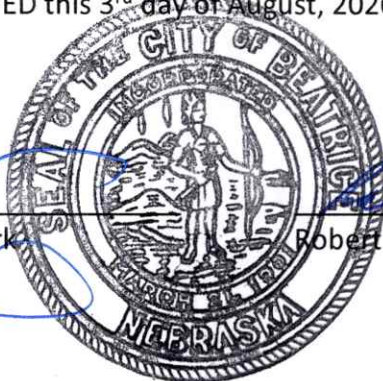
SECTION 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

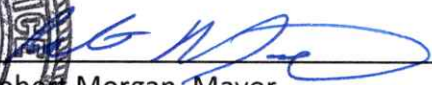
SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in electronic form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2026.

Attest:


Erin Saathoff, MMC, City Clerk




Robert Morgan, Mayor

Sec. 16-~~102~~234. Registration required; parked vehicles.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park ~~or operate~~ any motor vehicle upon any street or public way within the city without having registered it as provided by state law.
- (b) A person who parks a motor vehicle on any street or public way, which vehicle has been properly registered in this state but such registration has expired, shall not be in violation of this section unless thirty (30) calendar days have passed from the expiration of the prior registration.
- (c) If any vehicle is found upon any street or public way within the city in violation of this section, and the identity of the ^{owner}~~driver~~ cannot be determined, the owner or person in whose name such vehicle was last registered shall be held prima facie responsible for such violation.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & City Council
FROM: Taylor Rivera
City Attorney
SUBJECT: Ordinance – Registration Required
for Parked Vehicles

DATE SUBMITTED: July 30, 2026
FOR AGENDA OF: August 3, 2026
EXHIBIT(S): Redline

On March 2, 2026, the City adopted recodified all of its City Code ordinances. There were a number of previous ordinances that were repealed as duplicative under state law, including Section 16-102, which required registration for both parked vehicles and vehicles being operated on streets or public way. Captain Moss has requested that the registration requirement for parked vehicles be added back to the City ordinances. The proposed ordinance adds a requirement for all parked vehicles on any street to be registered. Vehicles operated on the street without registration are covered by state law.