



# Blowing Rock Police Department

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To: Blowing Rock Town Council

Staff Report Reference: Overnight Parking on Town Property

As directed by Council, staff has researched the issue of potential negative consequences that may be encountered by allowing overnight parking on property owned by the Town of Blowing Rock. As a result staff recommends that no overnight parking should be allowed on any property owned by the Town of Blowing Rock.

Should any occurrences of overnight parking become an ongoing issue, the Police Department will make every effort to deal with the vehicle owner(s) to make them aware of this ordinance prior to taking enforcement action.

For your consideration, on the following page you will find a current parking ordinance along with the suggested wording highlighted to add no overnight parking to that ordinance.

Tony Jones  
Chief of Police  
Blowing Rock NC

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT OVERNIGHT PARKING ON TOWN OWNED PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Blowing Rock Town Code sets forth in Article IV of Chapter 6 various rules and regulations relating to parking; and

WHEREAS, the Blowing Rock Town Council has determined that it would be in the best interest of the safety and welfare of the Town and its citizens that overnight parking be prohibited on all Town owned property; and

WHEREAS, the Blowing Rock Town Council has further determined that it would be appropriate to establish that a violation of this prohibition or failure to comply with its requirements shall constitute an infraction punishable by civil penalty as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Blowing Rock, North Carolina that:

SECTION ONE: Article IV of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances, entitled **PARKING**, be amended by adding the following new Section 6-28:

**Section 6-28: Overnight parking on Town owned property prohibited.** No person may park any vehicle or permit it to remain upon property owned by the Town of Blowing Rock overnight. Overnight for this purpose is defined as between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. Violations of this prohibition shall be subject to the same fines and penalties as established for parking in a no parking zone or a loading zone as set forth in Article VI of this Chapter.

SECTION TWO: Severability; Conflict of Laws. If this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstances held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the ordinance which can be given separate effect and to that end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE: Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK

\_\_\_\_\_(SEAL)  
J.B. Lawrence, Mayor

Attest by:

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Sharon H. Greene, Town Clerk