

DRAFT OF CITY OF TENAHA TRUCK ORDINANCE

Section 1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this Section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

1. "*Destination*" or "*Origin*" means any place for business, commercial or public delivery or pickup involving a vehicle or truck; any place of mechanical, maintenance, or tire service to be performed upon a vehicle or truck; or the place of business for a vehicle or truck, or a place of business owning, leasing, or renting such vehicles or trucks.
2. "*Local Vehicle(s)*" or "*Local Truck(s)*" means any vehicle or truck with a rated capacity of 1.5 tons or more, according to the manufacturer's classification, or equivalent thereof, traveling within or through the city limits of the City of Tenaha, and has a destination or origin within the city limits of the City of Tenaha.
3. "*Through Vehicle(s)*" or "*Through Truck(s)*" means any vehicle or truck with a rated capacity of 1.5 tons or more according to the manufacturer's classification, or equivalent thereof, traveling within and through the city limits of the City of Tenaha and does not have a destination or origin within the city limits of the City of Tenaha.
4. "*Downtown*" is the portion of the City of Tenaha that is designated as follows:

The area that is generally bounded on the northwest side by Albert Burns Drive; on the southeast by Sugar Hill Road; on the southwest side by East Church Street; on the northeast side by the portion of East Church Street on the southeast side of US Highway 59/84 that bends northwest; and on the northwest side by the portion of East Drive that runs northwest of US Highway 59/84.

Section 2. Designation of Through Vehicle and Through Truck traffic route.

The route for all Through Vehicles and Through Trucks shall be U.S. Highway 96 or U.S. Highway 59 (hereinafter the "*Through Truck Route*").

Section 3. Use of through truck route; Exception.

1. All Through Vehicles and Through Trucks shall at all times utilize the Through Truck Route.
2. Local Vehicles and Local Trucks shall utilize the Through Truck Route at all times, except during the hours of 7:00p.m. through 7:00a.m.
3. The only exception for this Section is emergency vehicles, utility vehicles, and/or trucks or vehicles that are making a pick up or delivery to a site at located within Downtown.

Section 4. Weight limitation on public streets; Exceptions.

It shall be unlawful for anyone to operate a commercial motor vehicle, truck, tractor, truck-tractor, truck-trailer or semi-trailer, or any combination thereof, on any public street, alley, or right-of-way within the City of Tenaha with a registered weight exceeding 35,000 pounds, except on the following sections of highways, roads, and streets:

U.S. Highway 96
U.S. Highway 84
U.S. Highway 59
MI Anderson Drive
George Bowers Drive
Loop 157

Section 5. Traveling on shortest routes when origin or destination not on allowed highways.

Section 4 shall not apply to vehicles that have a point of origin or destination that is not located on a section of highway, road or street included in Section 4. However, all such vehicles that have a point of origin or destination within the City of Tenaha shall travel by the shortest route (least required distance to travel) to and from the nearest highway, street, or road that is listed in Section 4. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any such vehicle to depart from, or return to, such allowed highway, street, or road by using any city street or road which is not the shortest route (least required distance to travel).

Section 6. Parking of certain vehicles prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle, trailer, or combination thereof, that exceeds 21 feet in length or has a weight exceeding 22,500 pounds on any portion of any city street, right-of-way, or alley for more than a one-hour period (cumulative) per day.

Section 7. Parking on more than six feet of the width of driving surface prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle, trailer, or combination thereof, in such a manner as to occupy more than six feet of the width of the driving surface of any street right-of-way, or alley for more than a one-hour period (cumulative) per day.

Section 8. Penalty for violation.

Any person violating the provisions of this Article on conviction shall be fined up to \$200.00 per violation.