ORDINANCE NO. 89-066

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF SEP 19 1989

AN ORDINANCE ADDING ARTICLE XV, SECTIONS 25.400 THROUGH 25.404 TO CHAPTER 25 OF THE SACRAMENTO CITY CODE RELATING TO AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES AND ACCUMULATION OF VEHICLE PARTS OUTSIDE RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

Section 1

Article XV is hereby added to Chapter 25 of the Sacramento City Code to read as follows:

ARTICLE XV. Vehicle Repair in Residential Zones

25.400 Definitions.

For the purposes of this Article, the following definitions shall have the following specified meanings:

(a) Minor Vehicle Repair: Maintenance, repair or replacement of the alternator, generator, starter, water pump, fuel pump, battery or, brakes, or parts thereof; minor tune-up (which consists of distributor cap, rotor and spark plug replacement); change of oil and filter, fan belt, or hoses; lamp replacement; repair of flat tires; lubrication, spot painting.

(b) Major Vehicle Repair: Any maintenance, repair or replacement not listed in subsection (a) including, but not limited to, the removal of engines, rebuilding of engines, repair of the internal components, repair or removal of transmissions, repair or removal of differentials or axles, dismantling of vehicles, and body work.

(c) Vehicle: A self-propelled device by which any person or property may be propelled, moved, or drawn upon a highway, excepting a device moved exclusively by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

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25.401 Minor Vehicle Repair.

It shall be unlawful and a public nuisance for any person to engage in minor vehicle repair in any residential zone:

(a) Upon any vehicle which is not registered to a current occupant of the premises where the work is being performed; or

(b) Outside a fully enclosed structure, except that minor vehicle repair may be performed outside a fully enclosed structure where elapsed time between the beginning and end of the repair does not exceed forty-eight (48) hours; or

(c) Upon more than two (2) vehicles at one time on the same premises or by the same person.

25.402 Major Vehicle Repair.

(a) It shall be unlawful and a public nuisance for any person to engage in major vehicle repair in a residential zone, unless all of the following conditions exist:

(1) The repair is performed within a fully enclosed structure; and

(2) The vehicle under repair is registered to a current occupant of the premises; and

(3) No more than two (2) vehicles are being repaired at one time on the same premises or by the same person.

(b) Subsection (a) notwithstanding, body painting, other than spot painting, is not permitted in a residential zone.

25.403 Engaging in Vehicle Repair Defined.

A person engages in minor or major vehicle repair when the person performs the repair, or permits the vehicle repair to be performed on said person's property, or arranges for such work to be performed on his or her vehicle knowing that it will be performed in a residential zone.

25.404 Accumulation of Vehicle Parts.

It shall be unlawful and a public nuisance to keep, store, or accumulate vehicle parts and auto body parts outside a residential structure which are within the view of persons on adjacent or nearby real property or the public right-of-way and which constitute visual blight or reduce the aesthetic appearance of the neighborhood or are offensive to the senses or are detrimental to nearby property or property values.

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