

# PARKING

The City of St. Cloud parking ordinances are intended to provide attractive, secure and accessible parking areas within the City.

## **PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS:**

Improper parking on public streets can lead to a citation. City ordinances prohibit stopping, standing and/or parking a vehicle in the following places:

- On a sidewalk
- Within an intersection
- In front of a public or private driveway, including parking to encroach upon the radius of the driveway
- Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant
- On a crosswalk
- Within 20 feet of a crosswalk
- In front of or in any alley
- Within 30 feet of a stop sign

## **PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY:**

City of St. Cloud Land Development Code requires the parking on private property be in compliance with City ordinance. Some rules to keep in mind when parking on *private property*:

- You may not park on grass, dirt or gravel
- All parking within the front yard must be located on a driveway or driveway approach and must be an improved, all-weather service
- Vehicles may not block sidewalks or public streets
- Parking is permitted within the side and rear yards provided that all parking is on an improved, all-weather surface and meets the setback requirements of the Land Development Code

## **CONSEQUENCES:**

Licensed vehicles that are parked on unimproved surfaces on private property will be issued tickets immediately by Parking Violations.

## **ABANDONED VEHICLES:**

If you suspect a vehicle has been abandoned on a public street, call the Police Department at (320) 251-1200. They will dispatch an officer to place a tow tag on the vehicle. The officer will return after a 48-hour period. If the vehicle has not been moved, the officer will impound the vehicle.

If you suspect a vehicle has been abandoned on private property, contact the Health & Inspections Department at (320) 255-7214.

## **UNLICENSED OR 'JUNKED' VEHICLES:**

Inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall not be parked, kept or stored on any premises, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.

To report unlicensed or 'junked' vehicles on private property, contact the Health & Inspections Department at (320) 255-7214.

## **CITY ORDINANCES:**

The City of St. Cloud Land Development Code governs parking within the City. The City ordinance can be found at [www.ci.stcloud.mn.us](http://www.ci.stcloud.mn.us).

## **WHO TO CALL:**

To report a parking problem on private property, contact the Health & Inspections Department at (320) 255-7214.

To report a parking problem on public streets, contact the Police Department at (320) 251-1200.

St. Cloud has developed a series of "good neighbor notes" that are designed to help explain the rules relating to a wide range of issues that affect residential neighborhoods. Each "note" addresses one topic, explaining in plain language what the laws and policies really mean. If you feel there is a topic of concern within your neighborhood not covered by the "good neighbor notes," contact the St. Cloud Planning Department at (320) 255-7218 or [jim.flaen@ci.stcloud.mn.us](mailto:jim.flaen@ci.stcloud.mn.us) for more information.

