City of Worcester

An Ordinance Relative to Storage of Unregistered Motor Vehicles

Chapter 8 § 9A

- (a) The storage, parking, abandonment or keeping of more than one unregistered motor vehicle, or of motor vehicle parts, on private real property, and not within a garage or other closed structure, is prohibited and hereby declared a public nuisance.
- (b) No person owning, leasing, occupying or otherwise in control of any private real property shall cause, maintain, or allow the maintenance or existence thereon of any activity prohibited under subsection (a).
- (c) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to any activities conducted by a person holding a valid license under General Laws, chapter 140 and/or chapter eleven of these Revised Ordinances, or as may be allowed under the Worcester Zoning Ordinance.
- (d) The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to the storage, parking or keeping of unregistered antique motor cars (as such term is defined by the General Laws, chapter 90, § 1, as amended). Provided, however, that any unregistered antique motor car not stored within a garage or other closed structure,
 - (1) shall not be within the ordinary view of abutters or those traveling upon the ways abutting the property, or
 - (2) shall be covered with a standard vehicle cover of a type manufactured and sold for that purpose.
- (e) The storage, parking, or keeping of one unregistered vehicle, other than within a garage or other closed structure, shall be allowed on any property provided that,
 - (1) the vehicle is not within the ordinary view of abutters or those traveling upon the ways abutting the property, or
 - (2) shall be covered with a standard vehicle cover of a type manufactured and sold for that purpose.
- (f) Upon inspection and a determination that a violation of subsections (a), (d) or (e) exists, a written notice shall be sent certified mail to the owner of the property, and when known, to any other person leasing, occupying or otherwise in control of the property, notifying such person(s) of the violation, that a public nuisance exists and ordering its removal within a time specified in the notice.
- (g) At the expiration of the time specified in the notice under subsection (f), if the nuisance has not been fully abated the property owner, lessee, occupant or person in control thereof shall be in violation of this ordinance and subject to prosecution therefore. Each successive day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.