



## CHAPEL HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Dear Resident,

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The Town of Chapel Hill is experiencing new growth in many areas of our Town. Many residents are new to the Town, and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome them to our community. I would also like to extend to our new residents some information regarding our local parking laws that have been adopted by the Town. The River Forest Subdivision has recently been completed and the transfer of the street maintenance and enforcement has been released to the Town of Chapel Hill. This means that the enforcement of parking on city streets falls under the municipal code for the Town of Chapel Hill. This enforcement will begin November 01, 2024. As new residents, many individuals may be unfamiliar with the parking regulations and therefore several of the main points will be highlighted in this letter. For all municipal codes please visit the town website at: <https://www.townofchapelhilltn.gov/police.html>

The item of parking is governed under Town of Chapel Hill Municipal Code Title 15, Sections 601-606 & 701-706.

Under the provision of 15-601: "no person shall park or leave a vehicle parked on any public street or alley within the fire limits (i.e. City Limits) **between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.** or on any other public street or alley for more than seventy-two consecutive hours without the prior approval of the Chief of Police".

Under the provision 15-606; Presumption with respect to illegal parking: "When any unoccupied vehicle is found parked in violation of any provision of this chapter, there shall be a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle is responsible for such illegal parking".

Under provision 15-703; Illegal Parking: "Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this code, the officer finding such vehicle shall take its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a citation for the driver and or owner to answer for the violation within thirty days during the hours and at a place specified in the citation".

Under provision 15-704; Impoundment of vehicles: "Members of the police department are hereby authorized, when reasonably necessary for the security of the vehicle or to prevent obstruction of traffic, to remove from the streets and impound any vehicle whose operator is arrested or any unattended vehicle which is parked so as to constitute an obstruction or hazard to normal traffic or which has been parked for more than one hour in excess of the time allowed for parking in any place, or which has been involved in two or more violations of this title for which citation tags have been affixed to the vehicle and the vehicle not removed.

I am respectfully asking for everyone's cooperation in abiding by these ordinances and helping to make our community a great place to live and work. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Andrew Kon  
Chief of Police

