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Ordinance Number: **O – 2024.04.24 -**
 Ordinance Title: Vehicles and Traffic
 Chapter: 141
 Section: 30 Hours of Operation and rates
 40 Schedule A: One-Way Roadways

The City of Dover Ordains:

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to revise Chapter 141 of the Dover Code to (i) adopt certain paid parking exemption for vehicles with Veteran license plates, and (ii) impose a one-way restriction on a section of Fifth Street. Further information is in the background section of this ordinance, incorporated by reference.

2. AMENDMENT

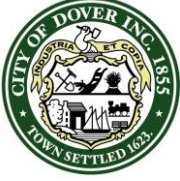
Chapter 141 entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” is hereby amended by revising Section 141-30, “Hours of operation and rates”, as follows:

a. THE FOLLOWING ARE AMENDED:

§ 141-30 Hours of operation and rates.

A. Paid parking shall be required daily between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., except on Sundays, with the exception of:

- (1) The Orchard Street Parking Garage where designated as metered or paid parking shall also be required as paid parking at all times, 24 hours a day and seven days a week.
- (2) The following holidays: January 1; the third Monday in January, known as Martin Luther King, Jr. Civil Rights Day; the third Monday in February, known as Washington's Birthday; the last Monday in May, known as Memorial Day, or on a date to coincide with the federal observance if it is held on a different day; July 4; the first Monday in September, known as Labor Day; the second Monday in October, known in Dover as Indigenous People's Day; November 11, known as Veterans Day; Thanksgiving Day; the Friday after Thanksgiving; and Christmas Day. When one of the listed holidays falls on a Sunday, the Monday after shall be observed as a holiday.
- (3) Any vehicle bearing the following special New Hampshire license plates and in use by the person qualifying for said special plates shall be entitled to free parking in metered spaces for no more than three hours each day: Purple Heart (including Purple Heart-Vanity), Gold Star, Prisoner of War, and Pearl Harbor Survivor (including Pearl Harbor Survivor-Vanity). Any vehicle bearing a New Hampshire Veteran or Veteran-Vanity license plates and in use by the person qualifying for said special plates shall be entitled to free parking in metered spaces in the Orchard Street Parking Garage and the Fourth Street Parking Lot for no more than three hours each day. Any vehicle with license plates from another state or United States territory bearing substantially equivalent governmental license plates shall, provided the vehicle is in use by the person qualifying for said special license plates, likewise be



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entitled to no more than three hours each day of free parking in metered spaces. [This exemption does not apply to parking spaces designated for electric vehicle charging.](#)

- B. Parking meter rates shall be set forth in the annual Fee Schedule adopted by the City Council.
- C. For good cause, the Chief of Police, upon recommendation of the Parking Commission, shall have the authority to temporarily suspend the provisions of this section for specified dates and times.
- D. Free parking permitted for persons with a walking disability under RSA 265:74 shall be limited to a maximum of three hours.

3. AMENDMENT

Chapter 141 entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” is hereby amended by revising Section 141-40, “Schedule A: One-Way Roadways”, as follows:

a. THE FOLLOWING ARE AMENDED:

§ 141-40 Schedule A: One-Way Roadways.

In accordance with the provisions of § 141-6, it shall be unlawful for any person operating a motor vehicle to operate the same on those portions of public highways hereinafter named, in any direction other than as hereinafter set forth:

Street	Direction of Travel	Limits
Angle Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Academy Street to the intersection with Central Avenue
Central Avenue	Easterly	On the crossway between the two portions of Central Avenue immediately to the south of the Morrill Monument and Fountain in the Upper Square
Central Avenue	Southerly	From the intersection with Second Street to the intersection with Washington Street
Chapel Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Main Street to the intersection with St.



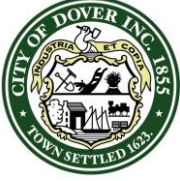
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Street	Direction of Travel	Limits
		John Street
Cochecho Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Portland Avenue to the intersection with Rogers Street
Fayette Street	Northerly	From the intersection with Washington Street to the intersection with Green Street
First Street	Westerly	From the intersection with Central Avenue to the westernmost entrance to the First Street parking lot
<u>Fifth Street</u>	<u>Westerly</u>	<u>From the intersection with Chestnut Street to the intersection with Fourth Street</u>
Fourth Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Chestnut Street to the intersection with Central Avenue
Green Street	Westerly	From the exit from the United States Post Office parking lot to the intersection with Washington Street
Hampshire Circle	Easterly	From the intersection with Whittier Street and then westerly to the intersection with Whittier Street
Henry Law Avenue	Easterly	From the intersection of Washington Street to the intersection of George Street
Lincoln Street	Westerly	From the intersection with Chestnut Street to the intersection with Grove Street
Locust Street	Northerly	From St. Thomas Street to Washington Street
Main Street	Northerly	From the intersection with Washington Street to the intersection with Chapel Street
Mechanic Street	Northerly	From the intersection with School Street to the entrance to the



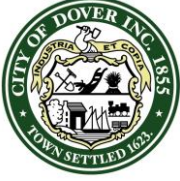
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Street	Direction of Travel	Limits
		School/Mechanic Street parking lot
Mineral Park Drive	Northerly	From the intersection with Whittier Street to the intersection with Pleasant View Circle
Nelson Street	Westerly	From the intersection of Locust Street to the intersection of Atkinson Street
New York Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Central Avenue to the intersection with Park Street
Orchard Street Lot service road	Northerly	From its intersection with Orchard Street to its exit into the north end of the Orchard Street Lot
Pleasant View Circle	Easterly	From the intersection of Washington Street to the intersection with Whittier Street
Portland Avenue Connector	Easterly	From the intersection with Chapel Street to the intersection with Portland Avenue
St. Thomas Street	Westerly	From the intersection with Central Avenue to the intersection with Locust Street
St. Thomas Street	Westerly	From the intersection with Chestnut Street to the intersection with Belknap Street
School Street	Easterly	From the entrance to the School/Mechanic Street parking lot to the intersection of Mechanic Street
Second Street	Westerly	From the intersection with Central Avenue to the intersection with Chestnut Street
Spruce Lane	Easterly	Back River Road from the intersection with Back River Road and the so-called "Slip Lane"



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Street	Direction of Travel	Limits
Spruce Lane	Westerly	Back River Road from the intersection with Back River Road in the so-called "Slip Lane"
Union Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Central Avenue to the intersection with Court Street
Winter Street	Easterly	From the intersection with Broadway to the intersection with Durrell Street

4. TAKES EFFECT

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage. The City Clerk shall cause publication of notice as required by RSA 47:18.

REQUIRES PUBLIC HEARING

FIRST READING ON APRIL 24, 2024

TO BE REFERRED TO SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 8, 2024

AUTHORIZATION

Approved as to Funding: Daniel R. Lynch
Finance Director

Sponsored by: Mayor Robert Carrier
By Request

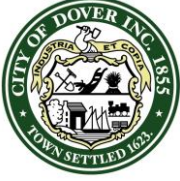
Approved as to Legal Form and Compliance: Joshua M. Wyatt
City Attorney

Recorded by: Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier
City Clerk

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Approved Date:

Effective Date:

DOCUMENT ACTIONS:

VOTING RECORD		
Date of Vote:	YES	NO
Mayor Robert Carrier		
Deputy Mayor Dennis Shanahan		
Councilor S. April Richer, Ward 1		
Councilor Robert Warach, Ward 2		
Councilor Anthony Retrosi, Ward 3		
Councilor Debra Hackett, Ward 4		
Councilor Fergus Cullen, Ward 6		
Councilor Linnea Nemeth, At Large		
Councilor Lindsey Williams, At Large		
Total Votes:		
Ordinance does does not pass.		

ORDINANCE BACKGROUND MATERIAL:

141-30: The amendments to Section 30 enable vehicles displaying Veteran license plates to qualify for a three-hour exemption from paid parking. This change was approved by the Parking Commission on February 20, 2024.

141-40: This change imposes a new one-way restriction for a section of Fifth Street (between Chestnut Street and Fourth Street). This change derives from feedback from residents. The City’s Transportation and Advisory Commission approved this change on August 22, 2022, which is being brought forward at this time in relation to the Fifth and Grove Street construction project.