

Junk Ordinance No. 24-1102
Reference No. 1002

An ordinance regulating the operation of places used or maintained as junk yards Or dumping grounds, or for the wrecking or disassembling of automobiles, trucks, Tractors, or machinery of any kind, or of any of the parts thereof, or for the Accumulation of rubbish of any description; providing for a license; and prescribing a penalty for the violation of the terms of this ordinance.

IT IS ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHINA, TEXAS:

Section 1: Definitions: When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense shall include the future; words used in the plural number include the singular number; and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

Junked Motor Vehicle means any motor vehicle as defined in section 1 of Article 6701D-11, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, as amended, that:

- A. Is inoperable and does not have lawfully affixed to it both an current license plate or plates and a valid motor vehicles safety inspection certificate, or
- B. That is wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, or discarded; or
- C. Remains inoperable for a continuous period of more than forty-five (45) days.

Antique Auto means a passenger car or truck that was manufactured in 1925 or before or a passenger car or truck that is at least thirty-five (35) years old.

Special Interest Vehicle means a motor vehicle of any age which has not been altered or modified from original manufacturer's specifications and, because of its historic interest, is being preserved by a hobbyist.

Collector means the owner of one or more antique or special interest vehicles who collects, purchases, acquires, trades, or disposed of special interest or antique vehicles or part of them for personal use in order to restore, preserve, and maintain an antique or special interest vehicle for historic interest.

Person means any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization of any kind.

Section 2:

Declared a Public Nuisance.

- A.** A junked vehicle that is located in a place where it is visible from a public place or public right-of-way, is detrimental to the safety and welfare of the general public, tends to reduce the value of private property, invites vandalism, creates fire hazards, constitutes an attractive nuisance creating a hazard to the health and safety of minors, and is detrimental to the economic welfare of the state by producing urban blight adverse to the maintenance and continuing development of the municipalities in the state, and is a public nuisance. This section shall not apply with regard to:

 - 1.** A vehicle or part thereof which is completely enclosed within a building in a lawful manner where it is not visible from the street or other public or private property;
 - 2.** A vehicle or part thereof which is stored or parked in a lawful manner on private property in connection with a business of a licensed vehicle dealer or a licensed junkyard; or
 - 3.** Unlicensed, operable or inoperable antique and special interest vehicles stored by a collector on his property, provided that the vehicles and the outdoor storage areas are maintained in such a manner that they do not constitute a health hazard and are screened from ordinary public view by means of a fence, rapidly growing trees, shrubbery, or other appropriate means.
- B.** Any place used or maintained by any person as a junk yard, or dumping ground for machinery or any kind, or for the storing or leaving of worn out, wrecked, or abandoned vehicles or machinery of any description, that is located in a place where it is visible from a public place or public right-of-way, is detrimental to the safety and welfare of the general public, tends to reduce

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Section 3:

Notice.

For abatement and removal of public nuisance from private property, public property, or public right-of-way within the City, the City Secretary shall send notice to the owner of the junked motor vehicle and the owner or occupant of the premises where the nuisance exists if on private property, or the owner or occupant of the premises adjacent to the public right-of-way on which the nuisance exists. The notice shall state the following:

- A. The nature of the public nuisance;
- B. That the public nuisance must be removed and abated within ten (10) Days;
- C. That if a hearing is desired before the removal of the alleged public nuisance, a written request for such hearing shall be made before expiration of the ten (10) day period by delivering said request to the City Secretary; and
- D. That the owner shall request either in person or in writing, the Clerk of the Municipal Court to set a date and time of hearing.

The notice to the owner or occupant of the premises must be mailed, by certified mail with a five (5) day return requested, too the last known registered owner of the junked motor vehicle, and lien holder of record, and the owner or occupant of the private property, public property, or public right-of-way on which the public nuisance exists. If any notice is returned undelivered by the United States Post Office, Official action to abate the nuisance shall be continued to a date not less than ten (10) Days after the date of the return.

Section 4: Hearing

If a hearing is requested within ten (10) days after service of notice, a public hearing must be held before further action is taken under this ordinance. The hearing shall be held before the Municipal Magistrate as approved herein.

Section 5: Determination: Abatement.

The Municipal Magistrate shall conduct hearings brought before said court, as set out herein, and shall determine whether the defendant is in violation of this ordinance. Upon a finding that said defendant is in violation of this ordinance, said defendant shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of one Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). The magistrate shall further order such defendant to remove and abate said nuisance within ten (10) days, the same being a reasonable time. If the defendant shall fail and refuse, within said ten (10) days, to abate or remove the nuisance, the Magistrate may issue an order directing the city Mayor or his/her designee to have the same removed, and the city Mayor or his/her designee shall take possession of said vehicle, junk and/or rubbish and remove it from the premises. The city Mayor or his/her designee shall thereafter dispose of said items in such manner as the City Council may provide.

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Compliance.

If, within ten (10) days after receipt of notice from the City Mayor or his/her designee, to abate the nuisance, as herein provided, the owner of the junked motor vehicle or owner or occupant of the premises that is in violation of this ordinance shall give written permission to the city by delivering said permission to the City Secretary for removal of the junk and rubbish and/or the junked motor vehicle from the premises, the giving of such permission shall be considered compliance with the provisions of this section. -COST

Section 7:

Failure to comply; Filing a complaint.

If a hearing is not requested within the ten (10) day period provided by Section 3 and the nuisance is not removed and abated by the persons notified, the city shall request of the magistrate

An order directing the City Mayor or his/her designee to have the same removed, and the City Mayor or his/her designee shall take possession of said junk and rubbish and/or junked motor vehicle and remove it from the premises. The City Mayor or his/her designee shall, thereafter, dispose of junk and rubbish and/or said junked motor vehicle in such manner as the City Council may provide.

Section 8: Removal when owner unknown.

If there is a junked motor vehicle, as herein defined, on any premises, and neither the owner of the premises nor the owner of said vehicle can be found and notified to remove same, then, upon a showing of such facts to the Municipal Magistrate, the court may issue an order directing the city mayor or his/her designee to have the same removed, and the city mayor or his/her designee shall take possession of said junked motor vehicle and remove it from the premises. The order requiring the removal of a vehicle or vehicle part must include a description of the vehicle and correct identification number and license number if the information is available at the site. The City Mayor or his/her designee shall thereafter dispose of said junked motor vehicle in such manner as the city council may provide.

Section 9: Notice to State Highway Department.

Within five (5) days after the date of removal of any vehicle under this section, notice shall be given to the Texas Highway Department. Said notice must identify the vehicle or vehicle part thereof removed.

Section 10: Administration of Ordinance.

This ordinance will be administered by persons duly authorized to do so by the City Council.

Section 11: Storing an antique auto, special interest vehicle, or collector vehicle or operation of a junkyard.

Any person who wishes to store or operate a junk yard, shall be required to comply with the licensing and other requirements of this section.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or keep a junk yard

within the City of China, Texas, without first having obtained a license for each such location from the City in accordance with the provisions of the subsection.

- B. An applicant for a license under this ordinance shall file with the City Secretary a written application provided by the City and signed by the applicant.
- C. All licenses shall be permanent unless revoked as provided herein. A licensed fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall be submitted with the application to the City. If a license is granted then an additional fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) is required every year upon the anniversary date of the granting of the license.
- D. A licenses issued hereunder shall be automatically void if the licensee does not operate the licensed business for a continuous period of two (2) years.

The license issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be plainly displayed on the business premises.
- E. The business premises, together with all things kept therein, shall at all times be maintained in a sanitary condition.
- G. No space not covered by the license shall be used in the licensee's business.
- F. No water shall be allowed to stand in any place on the premises in such a manner as to afford a breeding place for mosquitoes.
- G. Weeds and other uncultivated growth on the premises, other than trees, shrubs and bushes, shall be kept at a height of not more than nine (9) inches.
- H. No property of the licensee shall be allowed to rest on or protrude over any public street or right-of-way, walkway or curb, or become scattered or blown off the business premises.
- I. The property of the licensee shall be arranged so as to permit easy access for firefighting purpose.
- J. No combustibile material of any kind not necessary or beneficial to the licensees business shall be kept on the premises; nor shall the premises are allowed to become a fire hazard.

- K.** The area of the premises where the junk or motor vehicles are kept shall be screened from the public right-of-way with an eight-foot opaque vertical masonry wall or wood-board fence unless there is existing at the time this ordinance is passed, a fence of any type which is made opaque within sixty (60) days of the date of this ordinance. A chain link fence with slats in each link will be considered to be opaque for purposes of this section. Such fences and walls shall be maintained in good repair and shall be kept vertical, uniform and structurally sound. No fence shall be required should a one hundred foot buffer exist between all public right-of-way and storage of junk or motor vehicles.
- L.** The licensee shall permit inspection of the business premises by the City Council or its duly authorized agent at any reasonable time.
- M.** The Mayor or his/her designee, prior to revocation of any license issued hereunder shall give written notice to the holder of said license. Such notice shall contain the reason for the proposed revocation, and provide that the revocation shall be effective fifteen (15) days after notice unless an appeal in field. The following shall constitute grounds for revocation of the license issued hereunder:
1. The licensee has violated any provision of this ordinance.
 2. The licensee has obtained the license through fraud, misrepresentation or misstatement.
 3. The licensee's business or activity is being conducted in a manner detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the public, or is a nuisance, or is being operated or carried on in any unlawful manner.
 4. The license business or activity is no longer being operated on the licensee's premises.
 5. The annual license fee has not been paid within thirty (30) days of the anniversary date of the granting of said license.
 6. Appeal of the revocation or refusal to grant a license here under shall be made in writing to the City Council within fifteen (15) days after notice of revocation or refusal to grant or renew a permit. The City Council shall hear said

appeal if such request was timely. Revocation shall be suspended pending hearing by the City Council and such hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days of the date of receipt of the request for hearing. The substantial evidence rule shall apply, and the decision of the City Council shall be final.

Section 12: No Junk dealer shall purchase, receive, or in any manner acquire any junk from any person under the age of eighteen (18) years, or from any habitual drunkard, or from any insane person.

Section 13: The area of the premises where unacceptable materials are kept which is visible from a public right-of-way and which fronts on a public right-of-way shall be screened with an eight-foot opaque vertical masonry wall or wood board fence unless there is existing, at the time this division is passed, a fence of any type which is made opaque within sixty (60) days of the date of this division. A chain-link fence with slats in each link will be considered to be opaque for purposes of this section. Every twenty-five (25) feet along the wall or fence a tree shall be planted and maintained. The trees shall be at least two (2) inches in caliper and six (6) feet in height or greater at planting and shall be within ten (10) feet of the wall or fence. Construction shall be in accordance with the standards as approved by the building official of the city. Such fences and walls shall be maintained in good repair and shall be kept vertical, uniform and structurally sound. No fence shall be required should a one-hundred-foot buffer exist between all public rights-of-way and storage of junk so long as the trees required herein are planted, existing and maintained.

Section 14: Each junk dealer shall keep a daily record plainly written in ink or indelible pencil in the English Language, which said record shall accurately describe each article purchased, received, or in any manner acquired by him, and the name and residence of each person from whom each article was purchased or acquired, the day and hour of such purchase or acquisition, and the price paid for each article. This record shall be open to inspection by an officer of the law at all reasonable times. No entry in said record shall be in any way changed, erased, obliterated, altered, or defaced.

Section 15: No junk dealer shall buy, receive, sell, or otherwise dispose of any motor vehicle, or part thereof, from which the manufacturer's serial number or other identification mark has been removed, defaced, covered, altered, or destroyed. Any junk dealer to whom

is offered for sale or delivery any motor vehicle or part thereof, from which the manufacturer's serial number or other identification mark has been removed, defaced, covered, altered, or destroyed shall immediately notify an officer of the law to that effect.

Section 16:

Any person violating any of the terms and conditions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

Section 17:

If any part of this ordinance is, or should be held to be invalid for any reason, then the fact shall not invalidate the entire ordinance, but the balance thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16 DAY OF October, 2008

ATTEST: _____

City Secretary

APPROVED: _____

Mayor

City Seal

Amendment to the Junk Ordinance No.24-1102
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Amendment by the City Council at the Regular Meeting

On the 20th day of March, 2008.

William T. Sanders
William T Sanders/Mayor

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Attested:

Cindy Flores
Cindy Flores/City Secretary



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- D. A licenses issued hereunder shall be automatically void if the licensee does not operate the licensed business for a continuous period of two (2) years.

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF March, 2008

ATTEST: Cindy Flores APPROVED: William J. Sanders
City Secretary Mayor

City Seal

