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## NEWS RELEASE

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### STORING VEHICLES ON STREET PROHIBITED

**PULLMAN** – Pullman City Code was amended by reducing the amount of time a vehicle can be stored on the street from seven days to four days.

Pullman City Code Chapter 12.25 is designed to address street storage of vehicles, boats, RVs, and utility trailers. City Code prohibits the placement of a camper or canopy on the street, unless it's attached to a vehicle. Also prohibited is the "storing" of any vehicle on the street for more than 168 hours. "Vehicle" includes cars, trucks, RVs, and trailers (with or without a boat or other cargo).

Pullman City Code §12.20.185 makes it a civil infraction for any person to fail to move their vehicle from the same location (including within the same block) for 168 consecutive hours (seven days). The purpose of this regulation is to prohibit abusive long-term storage of vehicles on public streets, thereby increasing the availability of parking spaces for the use of the general public. Also, many residential streets in Pullman are narrow, and allowing vehicles to be parked for long periods of time further narrows streets on a more consistent basis. Additionally, City snow plow crews report that vehicles parked for numerous consecutive days in the same location inhibit their ability to properly clear streets of snow and ice.

At their meeting on May 29, 2018, the Pullman City Council amended the City Code by reducing the amount of hours allowed to store a vehicle on the street from seven days (168 hours) to four days (96 hours). Vehicles stored on a City street for more than four days are subject to a fine of \$25; \$45 after July 1; as well as impoundment. The new regulation becomes effective Thursday, June 7, 2018.

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