ORDINANCE NO. 11-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MINNEOTA AMENDING SECTION 803.12

Be it ordained that Section 803.12 of the Minneota City Code is amended and replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

SECTION 803.12 SNOW EMERGENCY/WEATHER EMERGENCY/STREET REPAIR/STREET CLEANING.

Subd. 1. Definitions:

Snow/Weather Emergency - For purposes of this Ordinance, the term snow emergency means a condition created on City streets because of the presence of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice or snow drifts thereon, or other natural phenomenon which create or are likely to create hazardous road conditions or impede or likely to impede the free movement of fire, health, police, emergency or other vehicular traffic when the same have been duly declared by the Street Superintendent or his designee.

Subd. 2. Snow Removal In Residential District and Commercial District.

After or during a snowfall of two (2) inches or more, or after a wet slushy snowfall of any amount, all motor vehicles and parts thereof are to be removed from all streets and alleys within the residential and commercial districts of the City, including the right-of-ways or boulevards, for the purpose of snowplowing and/or snow removal. When a police officer finds a vehicle left standing on any portion of any street that has not been plowed or if the vehicle has been plowed in, he may issue a warning notice or issue a parking ticket or remove any such vehicle by means of towing or other means in order to facilitate proper snow removal.

The police officer is hereby authorized to impound such unlawfully parked vehicle and to provide for the immediate removal thereof and to remove the same to a place of safety, provided, that if any charge shall be placed against such vehicle for cost of removal and storage or both, by anyone called upon to assist therewith the same shall be paid by the owner prior to removal from such place of storage or safekeeping. If the owner fails to remove said vehicle from the storage facility within a period of 15 days, the vehicle may be classified as abandoned to City Ordinance, Section 803.19.

Subd. 3. Unlawful Acts.

- A. It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or permit a vehicle to remain parked in violation of Subdivision 2 of this Section.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or permit a vehicle to remain parked on any street at such times as any other emergency may exist or during such times as street cleaning or street repair operations are taking place.

C. The act of parking or permitting a vehicle to remain parked on any street contrary to the prohibitions of this Section constitutes the violation notwithstanding the progress of street maintenance operations.

Passed by the City Council this 5^{th} day of <u>December</u>, 2011.

CITY OF MINNEOTA By: Bill Ufkin Its: Mayor

ATTEST: Sarah Friesen City Administrator

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