

ORDINANCE NO. 4430

**An Ordinance Implementing
Text Amendments to the Zoning Code
Relating to Off Street Parking Requirements**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas:

Section 1. The following portions of Article IV and Article VII of the Zoning Code are amended to read as set out hereafter. All remaining portions of Article IV and Article VII shall remain as currently stated.

ARTICLE IV. - RULES AND DEFINITIONS

403.0. - Definitions.

ADA: The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and any subsequent revisions and updates as administered by the United States Department of Justice.

Parking space, off-street: A permanently surfaced dust free area (concrete, asphaltic concrete, or other comparable surface), located on property other than a public street, enclosed or unenclosed, to store one automobile, to which an automobile has direct access from a permanently surfaced drive. Such parking space shall meet the minimum "off-street parking standards" contained in article VII of this ordinance. (See also Exceptions to Section 705.1 of the Code, *Vehicle storage lots, and M-1 and M-2 districts*).

ARTICLE VII. - OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REGULATIONS

705.0. - Design requirements.

705.1 Surface material: Areas used for standing or maneuvering of vehicles shall have concrete, asphalt concrete, or asphalt double-

sealed surfaces, maintained adequately for all weather use, and so drained as to avoid flow of water across sidewalks.

Exceptions:

Vehicle storage lots for the overnight storage or long-term warehousing of vehicles under one ownership.

In M-1 and M-2 districts other material may be substituted in lieu of concrete, asphalt concrete, or asphalt double-sealed surfaces for non-ADA off-street parking spaces for new parking areas and expansion of non-hard surfaced parking areas that are grandfathered in. If a business currently has a hard-surfaced parking lot, and needs to expand that parking area, they can expand it using a non-hard surfaced parking material for up to 2 years, at which time they will need to hard surface the expanded parking area [meeting the surface material requirements of 705.1] or remove the expanded parking area.

The exceptions only apply to new or expanded parking areas and do not allow for the removal and replacement of existing concrete, asphalt concrete, or asphalt double-sealed surfaces with other material.

The exceptions shall meet the following requirements:

Non-ADA off-street parking areas shall be graded, paved or otherwise improved with an all-weather, dustless material that is contained in such a manner as to not allow surface material to wash off during heavy rains, and so drained as to avoid flow of water across sidewalks.

ADA compliant parking and accessible paths to an entrance to the facility served by off-street parking shall be hard-surfaced.

705.5. Minimum parking space dimensions:

f. If 90-degree ADA car accessible space,
stall depth-19' 0"
stall width -9' 0" with 5' 0" access aisle
aisle width-25' 0"

g. If 90-degree ADA van accessible parking space,

stall depth-19' 0"
stall width-11' 0" with 5' 0" access aisle
Vertical clearance - 8' 2"
aisle width-25' 0"

705.6. Striping required: Parking spaces for dwellings shall be delineated by pavement striping and must meet minimal parking stall sizes as described above in section 705.5.

Exceptions:

Open parking spaces for one- and two-family dwelling units.

Parking lots meeting an exception in 705.1, except for markings and identifying signage for any required ADA accessible stalls.

705.7. ADA Accessibility:

a. All off-street parking lots or garages shall meet the minimum number of accessible parking spaces as required by the ADA.

b. Accessible parking spaces must be located on the shortest accessible route of travel to an accessible facility entrance.

c. Accessible parking spaces shall have markings and identifying signage as required by the ADA.

Exception: Open parking spaces for one- and two-family dwelling units.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the official City newspaper.

Adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas, on the 23rd day of February, 2023.



Louis Ysusi

LOUIS YSUSI, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David W. Schwenker", written over a horizontal line.

DAVID W. SCHWENKER, City Clerk