

“May I Park Here, Please?”

by Gregory P. Hill, Neighborhood Code Enforcement Officer

It is my belief that most people do not knowingly violate the Code of Ordinances. I have also observed that some residents of Hollywood are not knowledgeable regarding the City's parking regulations. One of the objectives of the Office of Code Enforcement is to provide information to residents to promote compliance.

The Code of Ordinances requires that vehicles, including RV's, boats and utility trailers, parked on private property be stored on a hard, improved surface, such as concrete, asphalt or pavers. Note that new installations of these types of surfaces generally require a building permit.

Passenger vehicles may also be temporarily parked on the public right-of-way (swale) if there is no curb. The vehicle must be in a moveable and roadworthy condition and must display a valid license plate. Additionally, any vehicle parked on the swale must be parked facing the same direction as the flow of traffic. Vehicles displayed for sale or stored on the swale in excess of twenty-four (24) hours are subject to tow. Finally, the Code prohibits parking commercial vehicles or special-purpose vehicles (boats, RV's, race cars) on the swale. Abiding by these guidelines will both enhance the appearance of your property and the entire neighborhood.

For additional information on this topic or other code concerns, contact Gregory P. Hill, Mike Meeka or Louise Jefferson, neighborhood code enforcement officers, at (954) 921-3061.