



Large Vehicles in Neighborhoods

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City Code Chapter 26

Large vehicle means a "motor vehicle" or a "trailer," as defined herein, that is in excess of eight feet in height at the highest point on the vehicle or trailer or in excess of 22 feet in length. To the extent that any motor vehicle is coupled or otherwise attached to a trailer, then the motor vehicle and trailer shall together be deemed as constituting a single large vehicle if the combined length of the motor vehicle and trailer exceeds 30 feet.

Residential District means the territory contiguous to and including a street or highway when the property on such street or highway for a distance of 300 feet or more is in the main improved with residences

Trailer means any vehicle with or without motive power, other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle.

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Sec. 26-94. - Time limit for trailer parking.

It shall be unlawful for any person to leave, stand or park a trailer, semi-trailer, pole trailer or house trailer, either attached or unattached to a motor vehicle, on the public streets of the city for a period of time in excess of two hours.

Sec. 26-95. - Parking of commercial vehicles prohibited between certain hours.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or stand any commercial vehicle on or upon the streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. except during the act of loading or unloading. It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the commercial vehicle is actually in the process of being loaded or unloaded.

Sec. 26-96. - Large vehicle restrictions.

No person shall park or cause to be parked or permit to remain parked any large vehicle upon any street or highway in any residential district. It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the large vehicle is:

- (1) Actually in the process of being loaded or unloaded;
- (2) Parked while the driver or operator is performing a service visit; or
- (3) Leased or borrowed and parked for a period of not more than 72 hours.

Data



Detail	2019		2020		2021		2022 YTD	
311 Customer Service Requests	2,097		2,009		1,669		990	
Violation	HPD	PH	HPD	PH	HPD	PH	HPD	PH
Time limit for trailer parking	345	1	284	62	420	664	362	556
Parking of commercial vehicles prohibited between certain hours	94	0	77	3	78	0	49	0
Large vehicle restrictions	777	1,679	591	2,027	1,077	3,515	565	1,343
Total Citations Issued/Year	2,896		3,044		5,754		2,875	

Texas Cities Survey



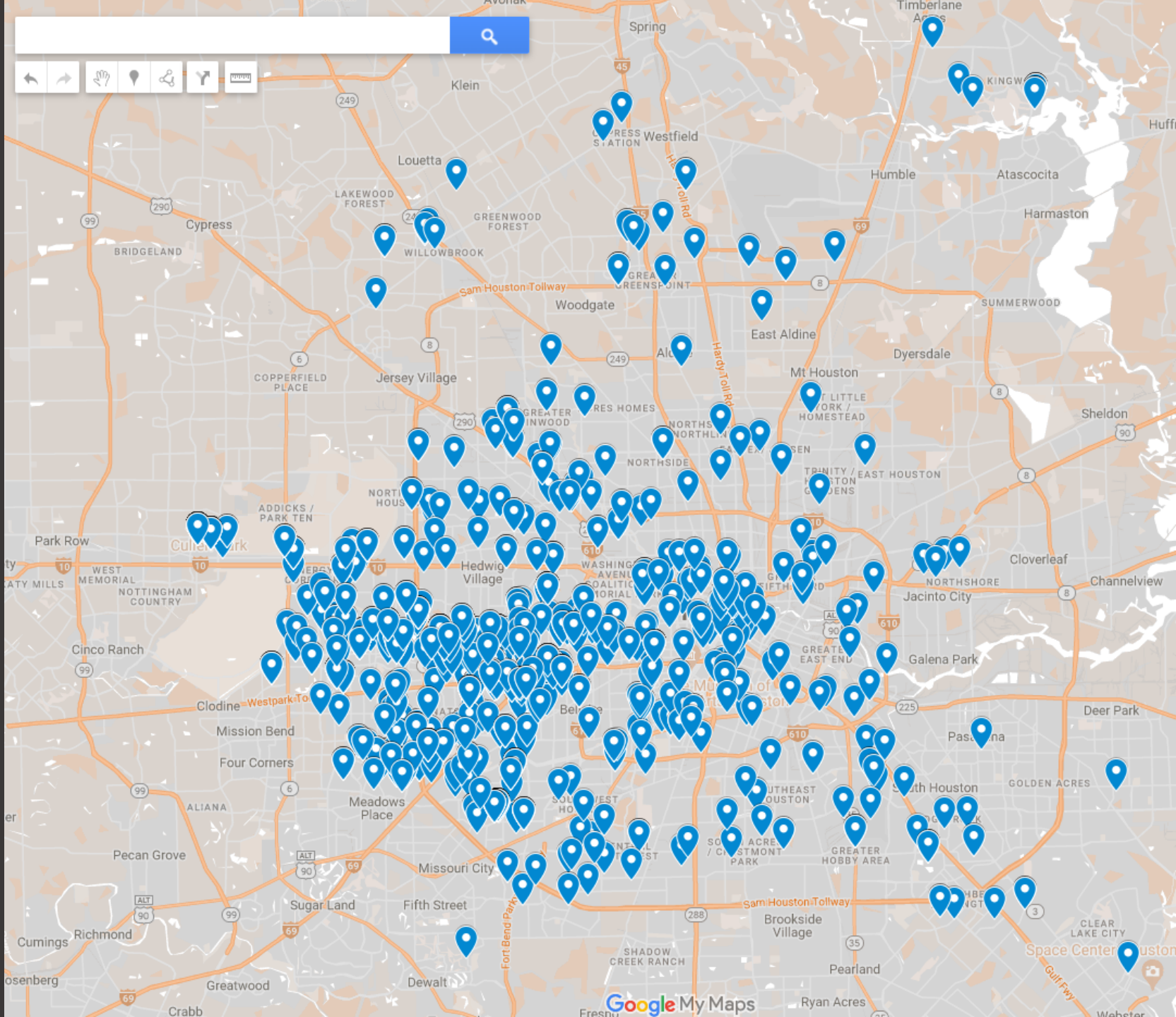
City	Violation	Fine
Austin	Not enforced	-
Dallas	Oversized vehicle on residential street	\$45
El Paso	Oversized vehicle parking prohibited	\$255
Houston	Large vehicle parked in residential district	\$60
Ft. Worth	Oversized commercial vehicle on public street	\$200
San Antonio	Oversized vehicle on residential street	\$500

Nationwide Survey



City	Violation	Fine
Atlanta	Unattended large vehicle parked on public street	\$75
Chicago	Truck, RV, bus, or taxi on residential street	\$75
Houston	Large vehicle parked in residential district	\$60
Los Angeles	Parking oversized vehicles	\$73
Miami	Commercial vehicle parked in residential zone	\$46
Milwaukee	No heavy vehicle parking on residential streets	\$60
New York	Parked on residential street from 9 a.m. to 5 a.m.	\$65
Philadelphia	Within 100 feet of residence	\$101
San Francisco	No overnight parking of large vehicles	\$108

2022 Violations



July 12, 2022 - RNA Committee Meeting

Questions?

