

Ordinance No. 98-07
Resolution No. 98-07

Parking Lot Regulations

NOW THEREFORE, the Polk County Board of Supervisors does hereby ordain the Parking Lot Regulations Ordinance, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.52(24), as follows:

1. Purpose: This ordinance establishes:
 - a) Areas for parking vehicles on lands owned and leased by Polk County;
 - b) Regulations and prohibitions for parking vehicles on such areas or parts of such areas, including, but not limited to, provisions for parking in such areas or parts thereof for only certain purposes or by only certain persons; and
 - c) Enforcement for violations, which may include forfeitures not to exceed \$50.00, plus court costs, for each offense and the removal of vehicles that are in violation of this ordinance.
2. Scope: This ordinance shall apply to the parking, stopping or standing of any vehicle, inclusive of automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, scooters and trailers.
3. Definitions: For purpose of this section, the following shall apply:
 - a) Business shall be defined as including without limitation by enumeration thereof, any transaction, public meeting, administrative functions, court appearance, payment of money, procurement of any licenses, permits, or services, and performance of any services as, for and/or with the county and its various departments, officers, agencies, committees, commissions and courts.
 - b) Handicapped person shall mean any person who has a disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk and has been issued special license plates with VET or DIS on them, or who's vehicle displays validated identification for physically disabled persons.
 - c) Parking areas shall include those areas identified on the Parking Lot site plan which is incorporated herein and attached hereto, and described as follows:
 - d) Visitors shall be defined as any member of the public having business to conduct in the buildings of Polk County.

4. Designated parking area: (1) Parking is permitted in the following parking lots while transacting business in the Polk County buildings:

GOVERNMENT CENTER

- a. Lot A -- Staff Parking. County-owned vehicles shall park in designated area only during all hours of the day. Overnight parking as described in the ordinance.
- b. Lot B -- Visitor and Staff Parking. All hours.
- c. Lot C -- Visitor and Staff Parking. ~~Huber and jail personnel parking only.~~
- d. Lot D -- Visitor Parking and County Board Chair ONLY. Department heads may use as needed. Open to all after 4:30 p.m.
- e. Lot ~~D~~^E -- Shelter Care and Visitor Parking only. All hours.
- f. Lot E -- Visitor and Staff Parking. All hours.

JUSTICE CENTER

- a. Lot A -- Staff Parking. All hours. Overnight parking as described in ordinance
- b. Lot B -- Staff and Huber Parking and impound cars. All hours.
- c. Lot C -- Staff Parking only. All hours. Over night parking as described in ordinance. *Impounded Vehicles*
- d. Lot D -- Visitor Parking only. All hours.
- e. Lot E -- Staff and Visitor Parking. All hours. Overnight and winter parking in the west row
- f. Circle Drive (cul-de-sac) -- 15 minutes. All hours.

- (2) Posted parking spaces shall be restricted as designated to Visitor, Handicapped, Huber, and Authorized County Vehicles. The Buildings Department will erect or cause to be erected appropriate signs at each parking area access point advising the operators of the parking restrictions and risk of removal.

5. Traffic Flow: All traffic will strictly adhere to two-way traffic flow. No vehicle shall in any way impede the normal flow of traffic on any street, roadway or parking area. Vehicles shall park only in marked stalls as allowed above.
6. Speed Limit: The speed limit in all parking lots of the courthouse complex is 10 MPH, as posted.
7. Overnight Parking: Overnight parking is authorized for Polk County employees and officials who are away on county business. Overnight parking shall only be allowed in the designated areas in Lots A and B of the Government center and Lots A and C of the Justice Center. Employees or officials are to register their vehicles with the Parks, Buildings, and Solid Waste Department in advance of leaving for overnight/out-of-county business. Unregistered vehicles found on county designated parking area will be removed at the expense of the employee or elected official. During winter months November 1 to April 1, overnight cars shall be parked in Lots A and B of the Government center and Lots A, C and D of the Justice Center. If in the wintertime, refer to winter parking.

8. Winter Parking: From November 1 to April 1 all County cars shall be parked in the (north) back row of lot A and B. At the Government Center and Lots A, C and D.
9. Enforcement. Parking and traffic regulations are effective 24 hours a day and pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 349.13(1m) as follows:
- a) The Polk County Sheriff's Department and the Parks, Buildings and Solid Waste Director may issue warnings for violations of this section.
 - b) The parking lots owned by the county are within the Village of Balsam Lake and the village has policing authority thereof. The law enforcement officers of the village are authorized and requested to issue parking citations for vehicles parking contrary to the provisions of this section. The Polk County Sheriff's Department is also authorized to issue citations for parking and traffic violations in conformity with the Uniform Ordinance of Citations and state law.
 - c) Vehicles parked contrary to this ordinance are subject to removal and/or towing. The Polk County Sheriff's Department and the Parks, Buildings and Solid Waste Director are authorized to remove or cause to be removed and placed in storage, any vehicle parked contrary to this ordinance.
 - d) The owner or operator of any vehicle removed pursuant to the above paragraph shall be required to pay the reasonable charge for removal, towing and storage.
 - e) Forfeiture: The owner or operator of any vehicle found parked contrary to this ordinance may be assessed a forfeiture of up to \$50.00, plus court costs, for each offense. An offense shall mean any incident or occurrence in which a vehicle is parked contrary to this ordinance.

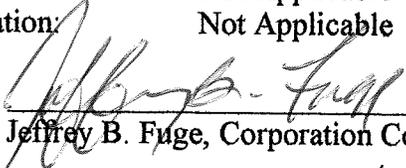
Effective Date: The amendment to the ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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Finance Recommendation: Not Applicable

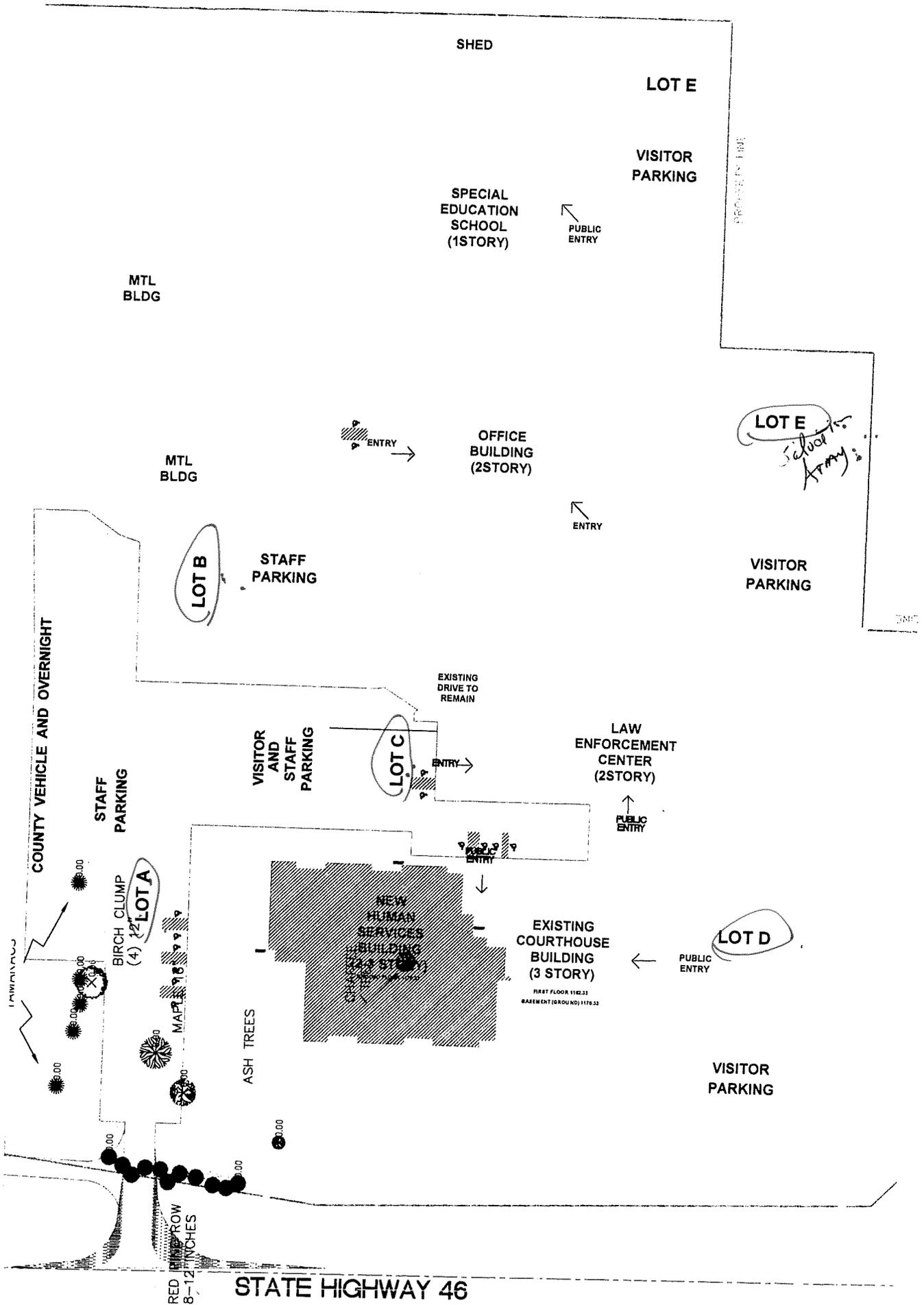
Approved as to Form:


Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

Date Submitted to the County Board:

10/16/07

Map of property owned



County Board Action: Adopted As Amended

Submitted by the Property, Forestry and Recreation Committee:

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Adoption and Publication

The above ordinance was adopted the _____ day of _____, 2007 and
published on the _____ day of _____, 2007.

Catherine Albrecht, Polk County Clerk

Date: _____