

CHAPTER 123

HOUSE MOVERS

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123.01 DEFINITIONS. For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined:

1. “House mover” includes any person who engages in the transporting of any house, residence, dwelling, garage or other similar structure by means of pulling said structure on wheels, skids or rollers or other similar means of conveyance from one location to another within the corporate limits of the City or transporting said structure from or through the City to any other location.
2. “House moving” includes any means of conveyance used to move a structure from one location to another within the City or from the City to another location outside the corporate limits, but excludes the transportation or conveyance of mobile homes which are constructed so as to be moved upon their own axles and wheels.

123.02 PERMIT REQUIRED. No person shall engage in house moving in the City as defined in this chapter except when authorized by permit issued by the Police Chief.

123.03 PERMIT ISSUED. A house moving permit shall be issued by the Police Chief to any house mover upon application by the house mover to the Police Chief provided the applicant for the permit complies in all respects with the terms and conditions of this chapter.

123.04 MOVING TIMES, ROUTES AND LOCATIONS. A house mover must notify the Police Chief prior to the issuance of a permit of the proposed route, as well as the time which it will take to move the house. There can be no temporary storage of a house in transit, and the house must be moved pursuant to the proposed route and timing schedule unless otherwise allowed by the Police Chief.

123.05 REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMIT.

1. Insurance. No house moving permit shall be issued to any person until the person has deposited with the City a certificate of insurance signed by the applicant's insurance company, which certificate establishes that the applicant has the following public liability insurance in full force and effect:

- A. General Liability:
 - Bodily Injury - Each person \$ 500,000.00
 - Each occurrence \$ 500,000.00
 - Property Damage - Each occurrence \$ 100,000.00
 - Aggregate \$ 500,000.00

- B. Automobile Liability:
 - Bodily Injury - Each person \$500,000.00
 - Each accident\$500,000.00
 - Property Damage - Each accident\$100,000.00

Said certificate of insurance shall also state the effective date and expiration date of the public liability insurance, and any permit issued for house moving shall expire upon the earliest expiration date of the public liability insurance as shown on the certificate of insurance placed on file.

2. Approval of Routes. The Police Chief shall approve the routes, dates and times for the moving and the same shall be noted on any permit issued.

3. Clearance From Utilities. Any house mover shall obtain clearances from telephone and electricity companies for any utilities affected by the moving and the same shall be noted on any permit issued.

4. Restrictions. The Police Chief has the power to place any restriction upon a house moving permit as are reasonably necessary for the protection of public or private property, utilities, streets, alleys, sidewalks or traffic control.

123.06 BOND IN LIEU OF INSURANCE. In lieu of the filing of a certificate of insurance as set forth in Section 123.05(l), an applicant for a house moving permit may deposit with the City a bond issued by a licensed bonding company which shall indemnify the City and the general public in the same amounts as are specified in Section 123.05(i) by reason of any damage incurred in the house moving activity.

123.07 PERMIT FEE AND LIABILITY. Other than the requirements set forth in this chapter, no fee shall be required for the issuance of a house moving permit. Any person to whom a permit is issued shall be liable for any damage to any streets, alleys, sidewalks, trees, public utilities, buildings or other property caused by the house moving. Any person who shall move any structure without a permit or in violation of any restriction placed upon a validly issued permit shall be deemed to be in violation of this chapter and subject to the penalties provided herein.

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