

ORDINANCE NO. 730**AN ORDINANCE FOR ABANDONED VEHICLES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Madras that the City of Madras Police Department shall take custody of and remove any and all abandoned vehicles as provided in ORS 819.100 to 819.260.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Madras ordains as follows:

SECTION 1: **IMMEDIATE CUSTODY AND REMOVAL OF VEHICLE CONSTITUTING HAZARD**

The Madras Police Department may immediately take custody of a vehicle that is disabled, abandoned, parked or left standing unattended on a road or highway right-of-way and is in such a location as to constitute a hazard or obstruction to motor vehicle traffic using the road or highway as provided in ORS 819.120.

When the Madras Police Department takes immediate custody of and removes a vehicle under this Section, the Madras Police Department shall comply with the notice and sale requirements as described in ORS 819.100 to 819.260.

SECTION 2: **REMOVAL AND SALE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES**

The Madras Police Department has the authority to take custody of, remove and sell abandoned vehicles as is provided in ORS 819.110 to 819.260.

In removing and taking custody of vehicles as described in this section, the Madras Police Department shall comply with all notice requirements, rights to a hearing, and procedures as provided in ORS 819.100 to 819.260.

SECTION 3: EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

It is hereby determined and declared that existing conditions are such that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, general welfare, and safety of the citizens of the City of Madras that an emergency be declared to exist; therefore this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor of the City of Madras.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor March 8, 2005.