

Amendments to Chapter 3.49 Regarding Emergency Wreckers



Wichita Police Department

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History



Since 1978, the City has licensed Emergency Wrecker Services. WPD uses a wrecker rotation list for the removal of vehicles from accident scenes.

Since 2010, the City has had contracts with Wrecker Companies to tow impounded vehicles.



Background



- WPD is recommending changes to the impound contracts and Emergency Wrecker Ordinances to improve and streamline the removal of vehicles from accident scenes.
- Wrecker Companies are requesting the review of the current fee structure set by the ordinance and to be allowed to close offices for major holidays.



Analysis



Emergency Wrecker licenses will expire on March 1, 2022.

It is recommended that the ordinance be amended and current licenses extended for May 1, 2022 to allow the parties an opportunity to discuss requested ordinance changes.



Recommendations/Actions



- It is recommended that the City Council place the amendments on first reading and authorize all necessary signatures.

