

# MARSHALLTOWN

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**TO:** Mayor Joel Greer, City Administrator Joe Gaa & City Council Members  
**FROM:** Michael W. Tupper, Chief of Police  
**DATE:** 9 November 2023  
**RE:** Ordinance Amendment – Recreational Vehicles

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**Strategic Plan:**

- Strategy 1: Expand and improve development in the community.
- Strategy 2: Enhance Marshalltown’s public image.
- Strategy 3: Continually improve and sustain the City’s infrastructure, organization, and services.
- Strategy 4: Partner with citizens, for-profit, non-profit, and others to improve quality of life.

**Plan Objective:** Amend the code of ordinances related to recreational vehicles and camping so that recreational vehicles, campers, and tents cannot be utilized as permanent dwellings on public or private property except as allowed upon a lawfully operated campground.

**Recommendation:** Amend Chapters 73 (Recreational Vehicles) and 93 (Parks and Recreation; Leisure).

**Budget Impact:** None

**Description/Background:** The city is responding to an increasing amount of complaints related to people utilizing recreational vehicles, campers, and tents as permanent dwellings. The current city codes related to these issues are not useful enforcement tools. The proposed amendments will provide a better enforcement tool to address these quality of life concerns in our neighborhoods.

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