

ORDINANCE NO. 2126-23

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, RESTATING AND REPEALING  
ORDINANCES NO. 2103-2022 AND NO. 2094-2023 ESTABLISHING  
“LARGE TRUCK” ROUTES WITHIN THE CITY OF PRICHARD, ALABAMA**

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**WHEREAS**, the governing body for the City of Prichard recognizes safety, structural, and transportation risks and liabilities associated with large truck traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body for the City of Prichard has assessed the traffic patterns, entrances, and exits for Large Truck travel within the City of Prichard; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body for the City of Prichard, upon due consideration, believes it to be in the best interest of the City of Prichard to more clearly establish and define designated routes of travel for Large Trucks within the City of Prichard.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRICHARD, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOW:**

**Section One. Definitions.** The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- a. Deviating Truck means a Large Truck which leaves and departs from a truck route while traveling inside the city.
- b. Large Truck means any vehicle designed or operated for the transportation of property, and whose frame, rack or body has a total weight of **26 or more tons**.
- c. Truck Route or Large Truck Route means a way over certain streets, over and along which Large Trucks coming into and going out of the city shall operate or travel.

**Section Two. Route Information**

- a. All Large Trucks within the City shall be operated only over and along the Truck Routes established in this Ordinance and on the other designated streets over which truck travel is permitted.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a truck of greater than 26 or more tons on any street or highway of the City of Prichard, Alabama, except as follows:

- (i) Bay Bridge Road to I-165, I-165 Bypass to I-65 South, I-65 South to US Highway 45, US Highway 45 accessing Bessemer Avenue, Bearfork Road, Wolfridge Road, and Lott Road Route is also in effect, and vice versus.
  - (ii) Bessemer Avenue is accessed for businesses on Main Street between Bessemer Avenue and Wasson Avenue and businesses at Turner Road and Wasson Avenue. To exit area, travel route must proceed back to Bessemer Avenue to US Highway 45.
- c. Highway 43 (Telegraph Road) to Baybridge Road, Baybridge Road to Conception Street, Highway 43 accessing Paper Mill Road.
  - d. All other streets, roads, and highways that are **not listed** in the above routes are **prohibited** for travel and parking.
  - e. **It shall be unlawful for any Large Truck to park along the truck route designated herein unless actively engaged in the process of making a delivery of goods form said truck.**

**Section Three. Instructive Provisions and Prohibitions.** The following Large Truck routes are hereby established within the City of Prichard:

- a. Large Truck travel on inner streets (streets not designated for Large Track traffic) is to be avoided unless necessary for deliveries.
- b. Deliveries to West Main Street must be made via the East Service Road to West Main Street, left turn only. To exit area, Large Truck Traffic must proceed back to Bessemer Avenue to US Highway 45.
- c. Large Trucks are prohibited from traveling East on West Main Street to Price Avenue.
- d. Large Truck Deliveries in the City of Prichard to downtown Wilson Avenue must be made via the Wilson Avenue exit (1B) of the I-165 Bypass.
- e. Large Trucks traveling from US Highway 45 and Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue traveling north at the “Y” (Toulminville area) on US Highway 45, must turn right onto Craft Highway to Conception Street.

**Section Four. Enforcement Provisions.**

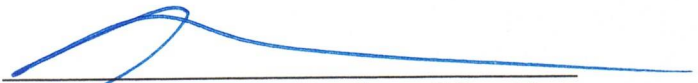
- a. The Prichard Police Department is empowered to issue municipal offense, citations, court summonses, make arrests, or to issue written corrective notices to drivers, owners, or agents violating any provision of this article and may serve or execute all warrants and other process issued by the City of Prichard in enforcing the provisions of this article.

b. Any person violating this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined \$500.00, and /or suffer imprisonment in the City of Prichard jail for a term not to exceed 90 days at the discretion of the trial judge.

**Section Five. Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict.** Ordinances, 2103-2022, 2094-2023, 1879, 1653, 1623 and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section Six. Effective.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption as required by law.

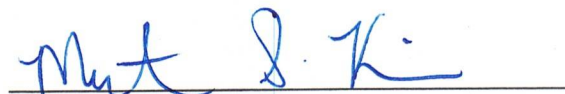
**ADOPTED** this the day of 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

  
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GEORGE McCALL, JR., Council President

**APPROVED** this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

  
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JIMMIE GARDNER, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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MYTASHA KING, City Clerk