



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GUNNISON COUNTY**

ORDINANCE NO. 21

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 4 AND ESTABLISHING THE
REGULATION OF VEHICLE PARKING AT THE GUNNISON-CRESTED BUTTE
REGIONAL AIRPORT**

WHEREAS, on December 15, 1987, the Gunnison County Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopted Ordinance No. 4, concerning the regulation of vehicle parking at the Gunnison County Airport;

WHEREAS, parking at the airport has undergone significant changes since that time necessitating the updating of parking regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, that:

Section 1. Repeal.

Ordinance No. 4, adopted December 15, 1987, is hereby repealed and replaced by this Ordinance.

Section 2. Title.

The title of this Ordinance shall be the "Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport Parking Ordinance".

Section 3. Applicability.

This Ordinance shall apply to the parking of vehicles on that public property designated by the Board of County Commissioners as the Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport ("the airport") which shall include the runways, taxiways, aprons, terminals and terminal parking lots associated with such airport.

Section 4. Official Parking Control Maps and Signs.

- A. The Board shall cause to be prepared a map which shall include designations of the parking areas authorized herein. Such map shall be of sufficient scale to determine the location of the designated areas and may be amended from time to time by the airport director. Restricted areas shall be signposted in an appropriate manner, except as provided in Sections 6 and 8 of this Ordinance.
- B. Where required by this Ordinance, the airport director shall place or cause to be placed, at appropriate locations, signs which identify those parking restrictions



imposed by this Ordinance, the parking control maps provided for in Section 4 of this Ordinance, and any resolutions adopted pursuant hereto.

Section 5. Parking Restrictions Authorized.

Establishment and designation of the following types of restricted parking areas are hereby authorized within the Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport but not within the security area and Aircraft Operating Area (AOA).

- A. Passenger Drop-Off/Pick-Up - The areas directly in front of the terminal building designated expressly for the purpose of Passenger Drop-Off and/or Pick-Up the duration of which shall be no longer than fifteen (15) minutes. It is prohibited to leave vehicles unattended in these areas.
- B. Short Term Paid Public Parking - The areas within which the parking of a vehicle to be parked is longer than fifteen (15) minutes and is subject to parking fees as stated in Section 9 Public Parking Fee Charged herein. The Board may provide free parking for the first 30 minutes within these areas. Parking Fees within these areas shall be assessed and paid at the time of Exit on presentation at the pay station of the parking ticket that is produced on entry to the parking lot.
- C. Long Term Paid Public Parking - Areas designated for paid public parking intended for the parking of vehicles for longer than 45 days duration shall be considered "Long Term" public parking and is subject to parking fees as stated in Section 9 Public Parking Fee Charged herein. Parking within these areas shall be authorized only after prior arrangements have been made with Airport Administration, the fee assessed and pre-paid.
- D. Handicap Parking - Such spaces within Paid Public Parking areas shall be utilized only for parking of motor vehicles displaying a placard or license plate issued to a handicapped person by the Colorado Department of Revenue or other official agency.
- E. Cargo Delivery Loading and Unloading - The Board may set specific time limits as needed for parking in these areas and may restrict parts of such areas for use by designated ground transport commercial carriers only.
- F. Bus Parking or Ground Transport Parking - These areas may be used by buses, vans, limousines or other commercial carriers. Specific areas may be limited to use by specific approved carriers or users or at the discretion of the Airport Director.
- G. Law Enforcement Vehicles - Any areas can be utilized as required.
- H. Employee Parking - Such areas shall be restricted to vehicles displaying a permit or other identification issued to tenants of, or employees of tenants of the



Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport terminal or employees of Gunnison County. Such spaces may be assigned to individual employers for the use of their employees.

- I. Rental Car Parking - Specific spaces within these areas may be designated for use only by rental car companies or corporations having a current airport operating license and legally permitted to do business at the airport.

The overnight parking of any type/form of Recreational Vehicles (RV's) and/or trailers, on any airport areas, at any time is PROHIBITED and such vehicle will be immediately towed/removed from airport property at owners/operator's expense.

Section 6. Vehicle Restrictions Within Security Area.

- A. Security Area and Aircraft Operating Area (AOA) Defined. These areas of the airport shall be that area enclosed within the airport perimeter fence and shall include all aircraft parking ramps or aprons, taxiways, runways, stop ways, displaced thresholds, safety areas, hangars and hangar ramps.
- B. Except for authorized vehicles bearing a security clearance sticker issued by the airport director, no vehicle shall be parked or left unattended within these areas of the airport.
- C. Except for authorized vehicles bearing a security clearance sticker issued by the airport director, no vehicle shall be driven into these areas of the airport except for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers or the delivery/receipt of freight from aircraft parked on an aircraft parking apron or ramp or in support of approved airport and aircraft operations.

Section 7. Signs Required; Presumption of Legality.

- A. Except as provided in Sections 6 and 8, no provision of this Ordinance shall be enforced against an alleged violator if at the time and place of the alleged violation an official sign or marking is not in a proper or appropriate position and is sufficiently and reasonably legible to be seen by an ordinarily observant person.
- B. Whenever official parking control or restriction signs are placed in position approximately and reasonably conforming to the requirements of this Ordinance, such devices shall be presumed to have been placed by the official act of the proper governmental authority.

Section 8. No Sign Required; Parking Restrictions.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle except, when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with directions of a police officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:



- A. On a sidewalk, crosswalk or other designated pedestrian way;
- B. Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant;
- C. On a street or other area intended for vehicular movement and not marked or signed for parking purposes;
- D. Within 15 feet of a driveway serving an emergency entrance to the security or AOA area;
- E. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping, standing or parking; or
- F. Within any of the landscaped areas surrounding the public paid parking lot and terminal buildings.

Section 9. Establishment of Parking Fees.

The following parking fee rates are hereby authorized and established:

- A. Short Term Paid Public Parking - A parking fee of \$10.00 (ten dollars) per vehicle per day for each vehicle parked in designated short-term public parking areas.
- B. Long Term Paid Public Parking - A parking fee of \$100.00 (One hundred dollars) per vehicle per 30-day period for each vehicle parked in designated long-term public parking areas at the Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport is hereby authorized and established. Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance, or any resolution adopted pursuant hereto, no person shall park a vehicle in this designated long-term public parking area without first paying the parking fee assessed according to this Ordinance or any resolution adopted pursuant hereto.

The County Manager may assess and is authorized to adjust parking fees as required.

Section 10. Unlawful Acts; Penalties.

It shall be unlawful for any person to stop, park or leave unattended any vehicle within the boundaries of the Airport in a manner that violates the provisions of this Ordinance. Any person who is convicted of a violation of this Ordinance shall be liable according to the following schedule of fines:

- A. For violation of sections 4 or 7: each violation \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars);
- B. For violation of any part of section 5: each violation \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars).
- C. Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense.



Section 11. Disposition of Fines and Fees.

- A. Parking fees shall be paid in accordance with posted instructions. All fees and fines collected under this Ordinance shall be paid into the Airport Operations Fund of the Airport.
- B. All fines for the violation of this Ordinance collected by the County Court shall be paid to the County Treasurer no later than the 10th day of the month following the month in which such amount were paid to the Court. Such funds shall be identified as Airport Parking Ordinance fines.

Section 12. Notice of Illegally Parked Vehicle.

Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this Ordinance, airport employees or agents finding such vehicle shall take its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its user and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a penalty assessment notice, on a form authorized by the Board of County Commissioners, directing the driver thereof to respond to and answer the charge against him at a place and at a time specified in said notice.

Section 13. Response to Notice.

The driver or owner of an unattended motor vehicle charged with an apparent violation of this Ordinance shall respond within the time specified in the penalty assessment notice affixed to such vehicle by:

- A. appearance at the clerk of the County Court in and for the County of Gunnison and payment to the clerk of the required fine plus court costs, or;
- B. mailing payment of the required fine by means of the United States mail or;
- C. appearance at the County Court for the purpose of entering a plea of guilty or not guilty before the judge of the Court. Upon trial, if the alleged offender is found guilty, the fine imposed shall be that fine specified in the notice.

If such person does not respond in the manner required by this Ordinance, and fails to appear in person or by counsel at the place and time specified in the notice and a verified complaint has been filed, a bench warrant may be issued for their arrest.

Section 14. Presumption in Reference Illegal Parking.

In any prosecution charging a violation of any provision of this Ordinance governing the stopping, standing or parking of a vehicle, proof that the particular vehicle described in the complaint was parked in violation of any such regulation, together with proof that the defendant named in the complaint was, at the time of such parking, the registered owner



of such vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of such vehicle was the person who parked or placed such vehicles at the point where and for the time during which such violation occurred.

Section 15. Person Charged Elect to Appear before Court.

- A. Any person charged with an offense or violation under this Ordinance shall have the option of paying such fine within the time and at the place specified in said notice upon entering a plea of guilty and waiving appearance in Court; or may have the option of entering a plea of not guilty, and upon such plea shall be entitled to a trial as authorized by law.

- B. Acceptance and payment of the prescribed fine as provided in section 15(a) shall constitute an acknowledgement of guilt by such person of his or her violation of the offense stated in said notice and shall be deemed a complete satisfaction for the violation.

Section 16. Impoundment of Vehicles.

Any vehicle left on the Airport for a period in excess of 24 hours without payment of the required fee may be considered abandoned and may be removed and impounded in the manner prescribed in Section 42-4-2103, Colorado Revised Statutes.

Section 17. Certification.

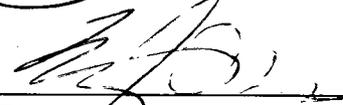
The County Clerk shall certify the passage of this Ordinance and make not less than three (3) copies of this Ordinance available for inspection by the public during regular business hours.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING AND SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF January, 2024.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO**



Jonathan Houck, Chairperson



Elizabeth Smith, Vice-Chairperson

Laura Puckett Daniels

Laura Puckett Daniels, Commissioner

Attest:

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Deputy County Clerk



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, Kathy Simillion, Clerk and Recorder of Gunnison County, Colorado, do hereby attest and certify that the Ordinance set forth above was introduced, read and ordered published at a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, Colorado on December 19, 2023. The Ordinance was then published in the *Gunnison County Times* on December 21, 2023. It was thereafter passed at a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Gunnison County, Colorado on January 16, 2024 and published in the *Gunnison Country Times* on January 18, 2024

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