Spring Valley Lake Municipal Advisory Council

Resolution 001 Long Term Street Parking-07/20/2021

<u>Resolution 001:</u> Throughout Spring Valley Lake numerous vehicles are being parked for extend times without being moved in direct violation of the county ordinance 52.01119. Use of Streets for extended parking of Vehicles is prohibited. The current County Ordinance states that vehicles parked on the streets must be moved every 72 hours. It is the responsibility of CHP to enforce. Please note this is not meant to be a condemnation of CHP in any way as they have many pressing issues.

<u>Currently:</u> Many motor vehicles, boats and trailers are parked on the streets for extended periods in direct violation of the current parking ordinance. A few examples are as follows:

- 1. Corner of Sage Hen and Rain Shadow: A black utility trailer and travel trailer have been parked here for approximately 90 days.
- 2. Corner Sage Hen and High Point: A boat and jet ski have been parked since last fall.
- 3. Candleberry: A boat and travel trailer have been parked directly across from each other since last fall.
- 4. Tamarisk Rd: There are 3 travel trailers and a commercial food truck parked close together

Concerns:

- Whereas most if not all of these vehicles are in violation of the current parking ordinance it is our belief that they present both a safety and health issue to the community.
- Whereas we do not have sidewalks, therefore it forces the resident to walk in the middle of the street a danger to all.
- Whereas often time these large vehicles are parked across or in close proximity to each other it is difficult for both pedestrians and drivers to have a clear vision of what is oncoming.
- Whereas some of these vehicles have little in the way of reflective lights they are dangerously hard to see at night; especially when approaching from the front.
- Whereas some of these vehicles have not been moved or cleaned for many months, they are collecting dirt and trash around them and below them.

<u>In addition</u>, due to the lack of enforcement we have no idea how many passenger vehicles have been abandoned or parked long term.

<u>Furthermore</u>, as these vehicle owners currently are not being held accountable their numbers continue to increase throughout Spring Valley Lake.

One must also consider that the ordinance has been in place for many years. Whereas most residents moved into the community believing that long term parking would not be a problem and are frustrated that it is being ignored. RVs, trailers, boats have multiplied along our streets. The many vehicles parked in violation also reduces the aesthetics of the community and could lead to a reduction in home value.

<u>Our Goals:</u> We are requesting that the First District Supervisor's office review the current situation to come up with options to enforce the current County ordinance 52.0119. Use of Streets for storage of vehicles Prohibited. The following are a few of our thoughts and requests.

- 1. We would appreciate periodic updates and communication with the Spring Valley Lake M.A.C. throughout year.
- 2. Please allow us to review and comment on any proposed improvements and changes prior to informing the public and before any final decision.
- 3. Consider using the COP or other county volunteers to enforce/monitor the ordinance if feasible as we understand CHP has a large area to cover within the County.

4. Consider removing the ordinance reference which currently allows the owner to move their vehicles only a few feet. This increases the complexity of enforcement while not getting to the core problem.

We believe that there is a solution for enforcement of this problem by working together. We thank the Supervisor for considering this request, and look forward to resolving these issues.