



ORDINANCE NO. 28241

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to traffic; amending Chapter 11.55 of the Tacoma
2 Municipal Code by amending Section 11.55.020, Heavy Haul Industrial
3 Corridor, to add additional public streets within the Heavy Haul Corridor
4 designation.

4 WHEREAS the City of Tacoma, Public Works Department, partnered with
5 the Port of Tacoma ("Port"), Port transload/warehouse companies, and the
6 Washington State Department of Transportation to improve ocean-going container
7 trucking operations, and
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9 WHEREAS, in July 2004, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 27252,
10 relating to special permits for the movement of vehicles in excess of legal weight
11 limits, and amended Title 11 of the Tacoma Municipal Code ("TMC") by adding
12 Chapter 11.55, "Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor," which allows for trucks hauling
13 sealed ocean-going containers traveling on designated routes in the Port of
14 Tacoma to increase their maximum gross loads, and
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16 WHEREAS the Port industry has requested that additional streets be added
17 to the existing list of Heavy Haul Industrial Corridors as a result of recent changes
18 in shipping terminal entry procedures and the construction of new terminals and
19 warehouse facilities, and
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21 WHEREAS, in order to relieve truck traffic on the Port of Tacoma Road, the
22 Port, in conjunction with terminal operators, has implemented new procedures for
23 truck queuing at terminal entry gates, and
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WHEREAS, in order to comply with the new procedures, commercial vehicle traffic has been routed onto streets not currently designated as Heavy Haul Industrial Corridors, and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that, in limited circumstances, the movement of over-legal-weight vehicles would serve important public interests by facilitating the transportation of goods and materials in commerce, and

WHEREAS Chapter 46.44 of the Revised Code of Washington authorizes cities to issue special permits allowing applicants to operate vehicles upon public roads with loads exceeding the maximum weight set forth in state law, and

WHEREAS annual special permits are offered by the City to operators of transload/warehouse companies for each vehicle transporting sealed ocean-going containers on designated routes, and

WHEREAS the annual fee for each vehicle permit is \$3,000, and said fees are used to repair, maintain, and reconstruct industrial corridor roadways, and

WHEREAS Public Works staff presented the proposed amendment to the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee on June 25, 2014, and the Committee forwarded the amendment to the City Council for its consideration;

Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That Chapter 11.55 of the Tacoma Municipal Code is hereby amended by amending Section 11.55.020, Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor, to add additional



1 public streets within the Heavy Haul Corridor, as set forth in the attached

2 Exhibit "A."

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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11 Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney

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EXHIBIT "A"

**CHAPTER 11.55
HEAVY HAUL INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR**

11.55.020 Defined terms.

For purposes of this chapter, the below-stated terms and phrases shall have the following meaning:

A. Container Chassis. "Container Chassis" shall mean a semitrailer of skeleton construction limited to a bottom frame, one or more axles, specially built and fitted with locking devices for the transport of cargo containers, so that when the container chassis and container are assembled, the units serve the same function as an over-the-road trailer.

B. Director. "Director" shall mean and refer to the Director of Public Works or successor department or his or her designee.

C. Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor. "Heavy Haul Industrial Corridor" shall mean and refer to such sections of public highways as are included in the following description:

Street	Extent
East 11th Street	Alexander Avenue to Taylor Way
East 11th Street	Port of Tacoma Road to Milwaukee Way
East 11th Street	Portland Avenue to the 900 Block
East 15th Street	East 'D' Street to Saint Paul Avenue
East 19th Street	East 'D' Street to East 18th Street
Alexander Avenue	East 11th Street to the northeast terminus of Alexander Avenue <u>From the north end to the south end of public right-of-way</u>
East 'D' Street	East 15th Street to East 19th Street
Lincoln Avenue	Portland Avenue to Port of Tacoma Road
<u>Lincoln Avenue</u>	<u>Alexander Avenue to Taylor Way</u>
Marshall Avenue	Milwaukee Way to Port of Tacoma Road
<u>Maxwell Way</u>	<u>Thorne Road to Port of Tacoma Road</u>
Milwaukee Way	East 11th Street to SR 509 <u>East Eells Street</u>
Portland Avenue	East 11th Street to Lincoln Avenue
Port of Tacoma Road	East 11th Street to SR 509
Saint Paul Avenue	East 15th Street to Portland Avenue
Taylor Way	East 11th Street to SR 509
<u>Thorne Road</u>	<u>East 11th Street to Lincoln Avenue</u>

D. Permittee. "Permittee" shall mean any person to whom a special permit is issued.

E. Person. "Person" shall mean any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, joint stock association, company, copartnerships, corporations, and other associations of natural persons, whether acting by themselves or by servants, agents, or employees.

F. Public Highway. "Public Highway" shall mean any public highway over which the City of Tacoma has jurisdiction and the responsibility to maintain.

G. Sealed Ocean-Going Container. "Sealed Ocean-Going Container" shall mean a fully enclosed and sealed reusable cargo-carrying unit, equipment, or receptacle-carrying cargo of many types for continuous transportation and designed to be unitized or otherwise packed or stowed for transportation in or on an ocean-going vessel.



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H. Special Permit. "Special Permit" shall refer to a special permit issued pursuant to this chapter for operation or movement upon public highways within the heavy haul industrial corridor of a combination of truck tractor and container chassis of a weight exceeding the maximum set forth in state law.

I. Transload Facility. "Transload Facility" shall mean a consolidation and distribution point for outbound and inbound commodities.