



CHARLOTTE

Zoning Interpretation

Towing and Wrecker Services

The City of Charlotte zoning regulations do not specifically list towing or wrecker services as and allowed use in the B-2 and I-1 zoning districts.

ISSUE

Where are towing and wrecker services allowed?

POLICY

Both B-2 and I-1 zoning districts allow uses associated with the repair, maintenance, and sales of automobiles. Since towing and wrecker services are similar in appearance and operation to these other uses involving automobiles it is the interpretation of the zoning administrator that towing and wrecker services are also an allowed uses in the B-2 and I-1 zoning districts subject to the following restrictions:

1. The storage of automobiles is limited to 90 days. (temporary storage)
2. Automobiles may be stored for longer than 90 days only while undergoing repair. A valid contract to repair the vehicle is required.
3. Storage of automobiles, not undergoing repair, for longer than 90 days (permanent storage) would change the use of the property to a Junk Yard which is not an allowed use in the B-2 and I-1 zoning districts.
4. Inoperable automobiles without a valid license plate will be considered a Junk Vehicle and cannot be stored.
5. The automobiles must be screened per section 12.303 and buffers provided, if required, per section 12.302.

Date Agreed: September 28, 2007

Approved By: Keith MacVean

Code Sections: 9.803(5) and 9.1102(9)

SUPERSEDES :