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City changes camper and RV rules for Camporee, open to more changes

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A row of Bounder RVS sit on display for folks to browse during the opening day of the Family Motor Coach Association's 103rd International Convention and RV Expo at Cam-plex in July 2021.

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When the International Pathfinder Camporee comes to Gillette, the city will allow temporary occupancy in RVs, campers and motorhomes in all residential areas to deal with an expected housing shortage.

But the city might expand that beyond just residential neighborhoods.

Earlier this year, the city council passed a resolution suspending the rules regarding occupancy in campers and RVs within city limits from July 31 to Aug. 13.

City Administrator Mike Cole said the city has heard from property owners in commercial and industrial zoning districts that would like to take part, but because of the way the resolution is worded, they're unable to.

Next week, the city council will vote whether to amend the resolution to allow for commercial and industrial zoning districts on a case-by-case basis during the Camporee.

"Most of these are undeveloped lots that have access to utilities, there wouldn't be any conflicts with existing operations," he said.

Residents who want to allow people to stay in campers on their property must get a permit at City Hall. Permit applications are free and are available in the city planning division on the second floor.

Additional restrictions are as follows:

Campers, motorhomes and RVs must be set up, leveled and parked on concrete, asphalt or gravel surfaces located entirely on private property.

Campers, motorhomes and RVs are strictly prohibited in yards, grass and irrigated areas.

Tents are allowed in yards, grass, irrigated areas and open space entirely on private property, but restroom facilities must be made available.

Campers, motorhomes, RVs and tents are not allowed in public right-ofway, city streets and other city property, including parks, open spaces, drainage ways and other facilities.

Campers, motorhomes and RVs shall be connected to City utilities, including metered water, sewer and electricity.

For more information, call the planning division at 307-686-5281.

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