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HEARINGS OFFICER'S ORDER

APPEAL OF ANDREAS SAVRANAKIS

CASE NO. 1080205

DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE: Volvo 240 (OR 251CMG)

DATE OF HEARING: July 24, 2008

APPEARANCES:

Mr. Andreas Savranakis, appellant

HEARINGS OFFICER: Mr. Ian Simpson

The Hearings Officer, on substantial evidence and based upon the record as a whole and receiving Exhibits 1 through 10 into the record without objection, finds as follows:

The towing officer's report stated that the appellant's vehicle was towed because it was parked in front of a fire hydrant.

The appellant stated that his vehicle was probably parked within ten feet of the fire hydrant, but that there was nothing to indicate the extent of the fire hydrant zone, such as a sign or yellow curb. The City Code authorizes an officer to tow a vehicle if it is parked within ten feet of a fire hydrant. The Code does not require signage or any other marking to indicate exactly where the no parking zone is.

Given these circumstances, this was a valid tow. Please note the relevant City Code sections below concerning this matter.

16.30.220 Towing Without Prior Notice.

(Amended by Ordinance Nos. 165980, 170912, 176352, and 176442, effective May 1, 2002.) Any authorized officer may, without prior notice, order a vehicle towed, when:

E. The vehicle is illegally parked within 10 feet of a fire hydrant.

Therefore, it is ordered that all towing and storage charges against the vehicle shall remain the responsibility of the vehicle's owner.

This order may be appealed to a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to ORS 34.010 et seq.

Dated: July 29, 2008

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Ian Simpson, Hearings Officer

Bureau: Police
Tow Number: 18840

Enclosure

Exhibit #	Description	Submitted by	Disposition
1	Hearing request letter	Savranakis, Andreas	Received
2	Tow receipt	Savranakis, Andreas	Received
3	Tow desk report	Hearings Office	Received
4	Hearing notice	Hearings Office	Received
5	Tow hearing info. sheet	Hearings Office	Received
6	Towed vehicle record	Police Bureau	Received
7	Investigation report #1	Police Bureau	Received
8	Control Copy	Police Bureau	Received
9	Investigation report #2	Police Bureau	Received
10	Photo (8 1/2 x 11)	Savranakis, Andreas	Received