10.04 (7) Owner's liability for vehicle violating parking restrictions.

(A) Subject to Wis. Stats. sec. 346.01 (2) (definition of owner) which is adopted herein by reference, the owner of a vehicle involved in a violation of parking restrictions as contained in Brownsville Municipal Code section 10.04 shall be liable for the sec. 10.04 parking violations as provided in this section.

(B)

- (1) Except as provided in par. (2) below, it shall be no defense to a violation of this section that the owner was not operating the vehicle at the time of the violation.
- (2) The following are defenses to a violation of this section:
- **a.** That a report that the vehicle was stolen was given to a traffic officer before the violation occurred or within a reasonable time after the violation occurred.
- **b.** If the owner of the vehicle provides a traffic officer with the name and address of the person operating the vehicle at the time of the violation and the person so named admits operating the vehicle at the time of the violation, then the person operating the vehicle and not the owner shall be charged under this section.
- **c.** If the vehicle is owned by a lessor of vehicles and at the time of the violation the vehicle was in the possession of a lessee, and the lessor provides a traffic officer with the information required under Wis. Stats. sec. <u>343.46 (3)</u>, then the lessee and not the lessor shall be charged under this section.
- **d.** If the vehicle is owned by a dealer as defined in Wis. Stats. sec. 340.01 (11) (intro.) but including the persons specified in Wis. Stats. sec. 340.01 (11) (a) to (d), and at the time of the violation the vehicle was being operated by any person on a trial run, and if the dealer provides a traffic officer with the name, address and operator's license number of the person operating the vehicle, then the person operating the vehicle, and not the dealer, shall be charged under this section