

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) Reporting Issues – Statewide reporting requirement in same system & Revise reporting time requirements
- 2) Licensing Issues – Create Umbrella License for Businesses and Vehicles (include tow trucks)
- 3) Enforcement Issues –changes to junk vehicle bill of sale and tow truck operations

1. Introduce a City of Milwaukee ordinance mandating the licensing of tow trucks in the City
2. Introduce a City resolution directing the Intergovernmental Division to lobby on behalf of the City for state mandated tow truck licensing.
3. Introduce a City of Milwaukee resolution mandating salvage yards to hold scrap vehicles (for a period of 48hrs) purchased by the scrap dealer without a vehicle title.

Unlicensed junk collector issue

1.City to produce flier on licensing requirement for Junk Collectors

Scrap dealers will provide unlicensed junk collectors City flier informing them of the city licensing requirements (1-6 months)

If after 6 months, an improvement is not made, scrap dealers will provide list of unlicensed junk collectors with contact information to City (MPD/Clerk?)

2. Electronic Reporting System

Support single electronic reporting system for the entire state to be operated by state law enforcement entity

3. Tow trucks/Stolen Vehicles

Recommend city license tow trucks to operate in the city of Milwaukee

4. Support modifications to State Auto Salvage Laws

Junk Vehicle Bill of Sales (JVBS) can be used only by State Licensed Salvage Dealers

Increase Bond requirement for State issued salvage licenses

Require DOT/DMV issued confirmation number if using JVBS

Confirming ownership of vehicle

Confirming vehicle is not encumbered with liens

If Confirmation number is issued, state will report title to NMVTIS

1. All transactions, except those involving purchase of metal cans, are cashless – a check is issued and is cleared after five days.
2. Seller must provide proof of purchase for a new heater, radiators or stoves if bringing in those items.
3. Licensing by the city of tow trucks, tow truck operators and premises.
4. Inspection of tow trucks by MPD on a defined basis (such as annually) as well as on an as-needed basis.
5. Tow truck operators must take digital photos of cars prior to towing and have a completed form stating who authorized the tow and why the vehicle is being towed (digital evidence would also be helpful if on-street illegal parking)
6. Holding period of 3 working days for any motor vehicles being brought to the scrap yard without a corresponding title and entered within two hours of arrival into NEWPRS.
7. If the seller has no title, continue with the same system relating to DMV providing proof of ownership and a clean title.
8. Open communications with the DA as to why not prosecuting and, if not successful in arriving at a compromise, then media releases by CC members as issues arrive.
9. Consolidation of license types for scrap, secondhand motor vehicle dealers, junk dealers and streamline the licensing as well as require a Plan of Operations from all licensees.
10. Work with NEWPRS to get a means to input VINs into the database so they can be searched.
11. Work on expanding NEWPRS across the Midwest and have it used statewide to better locate stolen items which are being moved across state lines.
12. Support BWI instead of NEWPRS as the reporting database.
13. Lobby the state to have the WI Dept. of Justice take over administration/training of NEWPRS.
14. Lobby for a change in state law to permit data on cars to be distributed outside of the criminal justice system.
15. Lobby for one statewide system to be used, whether a modified NEWPRS (so can track VINs) or BWI.
16. Work with banks and the municipal court system to see how the city can facilitate the banks' prosecution of individuals in vacant, bank-owned buildings. Is there a way for the banks to prosecute these individuals in a manner that is very easy for them?