



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 3, 2019

Re: Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code related to Parking Fees for Unmetered Off-Street Facilities

Executive Summary

Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to make it unlawful for an individual, business or agency charging for the use of permitted parking spaces to sell parking permits purchased from the City for more than the original permit purchase amount.

Discussion

Staff presented the Parking and Traffic Management Task Force final report and recommendations to Council on February 6, 2017. The final report was also presented to Council during a work session held on July 17, 2017. One of the recommendations to Council included passage of an ordinance forbidding the resale of parking permits at a higher price than charged by the City.

At the May 1, 2019 Parking Advisory Commission meeting, a motion was made and unanimously passed to reiterate the Parking Task Force's recommendation of the objection to resell parking permits at a higher rate, and prohibit the sale of those permits to anyone other than their lessees.

Based on the recommendations from the Parking and Traffic Management Task Force, the Parking Advisory Commission, and staff's desire to prevent parking permits from being sold for more than the purchase price, staff proposes to amend Section 14-339 of the City Code to make it unlawful for an individual, business or agency charging for the use of permitted parking spaces to sell radio frequency identification (RFID) parking permit(s), or permits for municipal surface lots purchased from the City, for more than the original permit purchase amount. The specification for RFID and surface lot permits is included for the purpose of excluding parking permit spaces currently sold to the Broadway hotel, which the hotel provides to its patrons not through a monthly permit, but instead through daily parking space vouchers.

The amendment also includes that the individual, business or agency is required to prorate the annual amount for the actual number of months utilized by the purchaser. The main penalty for this violation will be the revocation of the parking permit, and violators will also be subject to other penalties provided by the City's Code, namely Section 1.8 that refers to general penalties for violations. The Parking Utility also plans to communicate the ordinance change to all current parking permit holders upon passage, so that all permit buyers are made aware of these changes. If the Parking Utility becomes aware of an entity that is reselling RFID or surface lot permits at a higher price than charged by the City, it will take back



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the parking permit(s) and revoke all related parking privileges, while providing any necessary refunds, to the culpable party or parties.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History

Date	Action
07/17/2017	Council Work Session: Follow up discussion on Parking and Traffic Management Task Force Report: presentation by staff, PTMTF members, and co-chairs.
02/06/2017	REP6-17-Parking & Traffic Management Task Force Final Report and Recommendations.

Suggested Council Action

Pass the ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to make it unlawful for an individual, business or agency charging for the use of permitted parking spaces to sell radio frequency identification (RFID) parking permit(s), or permits for municipal surface lots purchased from the City, for more than the original permit purchase amount, and that the annual amount must be prorated for the actual number of months utilized by the purchaser. In addition to being subject to other penalties provided by the City Code, a violation of this ordinance will result in the revocation of the purchased parking permit.