



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE authorizing the director of the department of executive services to administratively approve and set parking rates at the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street lot; amending Ordinance 12077, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.010, Ordinance 12077, Section 17, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.020, Ordinance 8753, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.045, Ordinance 12077, Section 18, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.055 and Ordinance 6835, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.99.030.

BE IT ORDNANIED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 12077, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Administrative regulations. Administrative regulations adopted by the department of executive services shall include, but not be limited to, the following subjects:

- A. Identification of positions eligible for reserved and unreserved parking;
- B. Regulation of after-hours and weekend parking;
- C. Enforcement procedures, including certification and monitoring of carpools and the establishment of procedures for handling complaints;
- D. Designation of the public parking area;
- E. Prohibition of the resale of the parking stall assignment; ~~((and))~~
- F. Designation of reserved and unreserved parking areas; and

G. Establishment of parking rates at the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street parking lot. During the period July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2005, the director of the department of executive services shall have the authority to administratively approve and set parking rates at the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street lot, based upon the advice and market rate information regularly collected and analyzed by the private contractor hired to manage and operate the lot. The director may authorize the contractor to adjust rates on a frequent basis, but shall periodically review the contractor's rate setting methods and research to ensure it is based on current data within the area bounded by Jackson Street on the south, Sixth Avenue on the east, Columbia Street on the north and Second Avenue on the west. The director of the department of executive services within forty-five days of the end of each calendar year 2003 and 2004 shall provide to the council a report on operations of the 5th and Jefferson lot. Such report shall include a monthly detailed accounting of all revenues and expenses, details of all rate adjustments, a listing of all capital improvements or major maintenance undertaken or needed, and such other information as may be useful to the council in analyzing the operations of the lot.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 12077, Section 17, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.020 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Parking fees - general - method of payment - market survey.

A. All county employees and elected officials who are assigned the regular use of a parking stall, or who are authorized the use of available unassigned parking stalls on a regular basis while engaged in county business, within any of the county-owned parking facilities, shall pay parking fees as provided in this chapter. Parking fees shall not be paid by the county on behalf of any individual employee or elected official who is assigned the regular use of a county parking stall regardless of whose vehicle that person parks in the stall. Current county employees covered by existing collective bargaining agreements shall be affected only in a manner consistent with state law. Any exemptions to garage parking fees are subject to approval by council motion. A list of county employees recommended for exemption and the reason for their exemption should be presented annually by January 31st to the council for approval before exemptions are granted.

B. ~~((Such))~~ The parking fees shall be paid through monthly payroll deductions from the wages of the employee or elected official who is assigned the regular use of the county parking stall regardless of whether that person is assigned the use of a county-owned vehicle, assigned a vehicle provided at county expense, or uses a privately-owned vehicle.

C. Except as provided in K.C.C. 3.32.010.G with reference to the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street lot, ~~((F))~~ the department of executive services, facilities management division, may conduct a survey of the monthly parking rates charged for public parking in lots of ten or more spaces within the area bounded by Jackson Street on the south, Sixth Avenue on the east, Columbia Street on the north and Second Avenue on the west. ((Such)) The survey and any parking fee recommendations shall be forwarded to the council for consideration during the budget process. Proposed rates for parking at other county surface lots, including those lots that might be located outside of downtown Seattle, shall be developed in each case from a market rate analysis of an area having a three-block radius from the subject lot, and shall be transmitted to the council for consideration during the budget process.

SECTION 3. Ordinance 8253, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.045 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Parking rates - daily - special events - except 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street surface lot. The rates for parking shall be as follows:

A. Daily parking:

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| 1. | 1 hour | \$3.00 |
| | 1 - 2 hours | \$5.00 |
| | 2 - 4 hours | \$7.00 |
| | 4 -10 hours | \$10.00 |
| | Early bird special | \$8.00 |

(Weekdays prior to 8:30 a.m.)

Special events \$7.00

2. Evenings after 6 p.m. and all day Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays except during special events:

\$5.00.

B. Special events rates shall apply after 6 p.m. weekdays and all day Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays and shall apply during those events designated in accordance with K.C.C. 3.32.010. Parking for special events shall be provided in surface lots and in the county automotive center, provided that county employees who pay for parking privileges in the automotive center shall be exempted from payment of the special event fee at the county automotive center.

SECTION 4. Ordinance 12077, Section 18, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.055 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Parking rates - monthly.

A. Monthly rates for parking stalls in the King County automotive center, adult detention center, courthouse, open surface parking lots(~~(;)~~) other than the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street lot, and bicycle lockers shall be as follows:

	Parking Reserved	Parking Unreserved
((a-)) 1. Vehicle parking	\$160.00	\$150.00
((b-)) 2. Motorcycle parking	\$ 10.00	
((c-)) 3. Bicycle lockers	\$ 5.00	
((d. Fifth and Jefferson surface lot	\$ 75.00	
e-)) 4. Other surface lots	\$ 20.00	

The facilities management division of the department of executive services shall identify surface parking lots, other than the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street lot, for which it is reasonable and feasible to charge employees for monthly parking, and to implement such charges. These surface parking lots are located at county facilities outside the downtown Seattle metropolitan core and include, but are not limited to, district courts, health centers, alcohol treatment facilities, police precincts, youth service centers, and similar facilities.

B. For county employees with disabilities that make it difficult or impossible to use public transit, and

who display a disabled parking permit, the fee for covered parking shall be fifty percent of the normal rate.

Employees with disabilities shall receive first priority in the assignment of available parking stalls.

C. Authorized second and third shift parking and interim use parking in the automotive center shall be limited to floors four through seven. The executive will notify second and third shift employees of the availability of escort service.

SECTION 5. Ordinance 6835, Section 3, as amended, and K.C.C. 2.99.030 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Policies. The following policies shall govern the establishment of fees and the amount of fees:

A. Any fee for which the amount or rate is established by state statute is exempt from this chapter.

B. King County may establish any fee, consistent with policies of this chapter, unless specifically prohibited by state statute.

C. Any fees established by the prosecuting attorney, superior court or district court at their discretion under authority granted by state statute are exempt from this chapter.

D. Any fees established by the county board of health under state statute are exempt from this chapter.

E. Any fees set by the department of natural resources and parks are exempt from this chapter.

F. Any fees set by the department of executive services for the 5th Avenue and Jefferson Street county parking lot are exempt from this chapter through June 30, 2005.

G. The following fees and the amount of fees must be established by ordinance, unless specific administrative fee-setting authority is granted by ordinance to a county agency or official:

1. Regulatory fees; and
2. Enterprise fund fees.

~~((G.))~~ H. For all other fees-for-service not specified in subsections A. through ~~((F.))~~ G. of this section, the following policies and procedures apply:

1. The executive may establish changes in the existing amounts or rates of fees-for-service and may

establish new fees-for-service by submitting the proposed schedule of fee changes to the county council at the time the executive proposed annual budget is submitted. The proposed schedule of fee changes shall also be filed with the clerk of the council.

2. The proposed schedule of fee changes shall include the following information for each proposed fee change:

a. fee title and description. The description should indicate whether the proposal is a change in the amount of an existing fee or a proposed new fee.

b. proposed amount or rate. If the proposal is a change to an existing fee, both the existing amount or rate and the proposed amount or rate should be indicated.

c. effective date of the change. The date should be the first day of the next calendar year.

d. legal authority. The information should cite this chapter or a more specific ordinance or statute, if any, granting fee-setting authority.

e. reason for change. The information should indicate the reason for the change and the methodology used to determine the proposed amount or rate.

3. Following receipt of the executive proposed schedule of fee changes, the county council may enact an ordinance adopting or modifying the proposed schedule. If council action is not taken on the proposed schedule within seventy-five days of receipt, the proposed fee changes shall become effective as submitted by the executive on the first day of the calendar year following executive submittal.

4. Any changes in fees-for-service amounts or any new fees-for-service proposed by the executive at times other than that specified in this section must be submitted to the county council in the form of a proposed ordinance, and the changes shall not be effective unless enacted by ordinance.

5. The fee-for-service amounts proposed by the executive under this section shall reflect all reasonable costs of providing the service.