



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE amending the terms and fees related to county automotive parking facilities; and amending Ordinance 15648, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.006, 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 12077, Section 18, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.055, Ordinance 8753, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.045, Ordinance 3511, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.050 and Ordinance 8753, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.090, adding a new section to K.C.C. chapter 3.32, recodifying K.C.C. 3.32.055 and repealing Ordinance 3511, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.030 and Ordinance 15950, Section 7, and K.C.C. 3.32.057.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 15648, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.006 are hereby amended to read as follows:

The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

A. "After-hours parking" means (~~work-time~~) work-related parking Monday through Friday for employees whose normal work shifts begin after 1:30 p.m. and end between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. or who are required to come into work after 4:30 p.m. "After-hours parking" also includes work-related parking on weekends and holidays that is required by the employee's agency. "After-hours parking" does not include

parking for non-work-related activities.

B. "Business convenience" means a county business-related requirement. For the purposes of this chapter, "a county business-related requirement" includes after-hours parking for county employees, parking for commissioned sheriff's office personnel, parking for county employees working for a specified and limited period on a time-sensitive project that requires them to arrive before or stay after regular work hours, parking for county employees who are required as part of their jobs to use their private vehicles to routinely travel to multiple county business locations, parking for county-owned vehicles and paid parking for county volunteers authorized by ordinance or by any presiding elected official as defined by K.C.C. 3.24.010 or the presiding elected official's designee, but for the executive branch any designee must be at least the highest-ranking employee of a division.

C. "County automotive parking facility" means:

1. The Goat Hill parking garage located at Sixth Avenue and Jefferson in Seattle;
2. The parking structure located at the Norm Maleng ~~((f))~~Regional ~~((j))~~Justice ~~((e))~~Center in Kent;
3. County adult detention center parking facilities located at Fifth Avenue and James in Seattle;
4. ~~((Open surface lots that are owned or leased by the county;~~
- 5.)) The Chinook Building parking located at Fifth Avenue and Jefferson in Seattle; and
- ~~((6.))~~5. The King Street Center, located at 201 South Jackson Street in Seattle.

D. "County volunteer" means a person who is not a county employee, who performs service for the county for civic, charitable or humanitarian reasons, without promise, expectation or receipt of compensation from the county for services rendered and who is accepted as a volunteer by the county. "County volunteer" includes, but is not limited to, a person serving as a board member, officer, commission member, volunteer intern or direct service volunteer.

E. "Director" means the director of the county department of executive services or designee, unless otherwise specified in this chapter.

F. "Electric vehicle" means a vehicle that uses only electricity, must be plugged in to charge and is propelled by one or more electric motors powered by rechargeable battery packs.

G. "Motorcycle" means a motor vehicle designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, on which the driver rides astride the motor unit or power train and is designed to be steered with a handle bar, excluding a farm tractor, an electric personal assistive mobility device and a moped.

H. "Public parking" means general purpose parking by persons who are not county employees ((and by county employees that park for less than a full day)).

I. "Qualified employee carpool" means employees who have been qualified as part of a carpool through the King County Employee Transportation Program.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 12077, Section 16, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.010 are hereby amended to read as follows:

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 areas;
- E. Prohibition of the resale of the parking stall assignment;
- F. Designation of reserved and unreserved parking areas; and
- G. Establishment of public parking rates at the county automotive parking facilities, excluding the King County International Airport which is governed by K.C.C. Title 15. The public parking rates shall be based upon the advice and market rate information regularly collected and analyzed by the private contractor hired to manage and operate the lot or by the director in those cases where the lot is not managed by a private

contractor. The director may authorize the contractor to make periodic rate adjustments within a specified range, but shall periodically review the contractor's rate adjustments, rate setting methods and research to ensure that they are based on current data(~~(; and~~

~~H. Designation of open surface lots that are subject to parking charges)).~~

SECTION 3. Ordinance 12077, Section 17, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.020 are hereby amended to read as follows:

A. All county employees, elected officials and county volunteers shall pay their own parking fees unless they are parking for the business convenience of the county. The agency served by an employee, elected official or county volunteer, who is parking for the business convenience of the county, shall be charged for such parking at a rate equal to the county employee rate. Current county employees covered by existing collective bargaining agreements shall be affected only in a manner consistent with state law. There shall not be any other exemptions from parking fees.

B. The parking fees for monthly parking that is not for the business convenience of the county 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. In order to evaluate the appropriateness of any potential adjustments to established employee parking rates, the department of executive services, facilities management division may conduct a survey of the monthly parking rates charged for public parking in comparable lots. The survey and any employee parking fee recommendations shall be forwarded to the council for consideration during the budget process.

D. The public parking rates shall be based upon the advice and market rate information regularly collected and analyzed by the private contractor hired to manage and operate the lot or by the director in those cases where the lot is not managed by a private contractor. The director may authorize the contractor to make periodic rate adjustments within a specific range, but shall periodically review the contractors' rate adjustments,

rate setting methods and research to ensure that they are based on current data.

SECTION 4. Ordinance 3511, Section 4, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.030 are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. K.C.C. 3.32.055, as amended by this ordinance, is recodified as a new section in K.C.C. chapter 3.32 to follow K.C.C. 3.32.040.

SECTION 6. Ordinance 12077, Section 18, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.055 are hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Monthly employee and county vehicle rates for parking in the Goat Hill parking garage, the Chinook Building, the King County Correctional Facility, and the King Street Center garage (~~((and open surface parking lots that are designated by rule to be subject to parking charges,))~~) shall be as follows:

	Reserved/ Designated Area	Unreserved Area
1. Vehicle parking	\$385.00	\$300.00
2. Electric ((Cars)) vehicles		\$210.00
3. ((Open surface lots	\$20.00	\$20.00
4. City of Seattle certified)) <u>Qualified employee</u> carpool		\$210.00
((5-)) 4. Employee ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act)		\$150.00

B. ~~((The facilities management division of the department of executive services shall identify surface parking lots where it is reasonable and feasible to charge employees for monthly parking. 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. Designation of open surface lots that are subject to parking charges shall occur by administrative rule adopted pursuant to K.C.C. 3.32.010.~~

~~€.))~~ 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 in facilities managed by the facilities management division shall be fifty percent of the monthly employee rate, rounding up to the next even dollar. Employees with disabilities shall receive first priority in the assignment of available parking stalls.

SECTION 7. Ordinance 8753, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.045 are hereby amended to read as follows:

The rates for county employees parking at the Goat Hill and King Street Center parking garages shall be as follows:

A. Daily parking for motorcycles: five dollars;

B. Hourly parking: Hourly public parking rates shall apply up to a maximum of twenty dollars per day for automobiles; and

C. The rate for after-hours work-related parking shall be seven dollars per day.

SECTION 8. Ordinance 3511, Section 6, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.050 are hereby amended to read as follows:

~~((A. Spaces shall be reserved for the disabled and located convenient to elevators.))~~ Specifically designated parking stalls shall be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis for persons with disabilities.

SECTION 9. Ordinance 15950, Section 7, and K.C.C. 3.32.057 are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. Ordinance 8753, Section 7, as amended, and K.C.C. 3.32.090 are hereby amended to read as follows:

All revenues derived from parking fees shall be distributed as follows:

A. Applicable local and state taxes;

B. An allocation to cover rent payments or debt service payments for the Goat Hill parking garage and pro-rated rent for the parking portion of the Chinook Building and King Street Center;

C. It is the intent of the council to biennially, during the budget process, identify a portion of the revenue going to the current expense fund to be transferred to the major maintenance reserve fund to support major maintenance projects at the garage and other parking facilities, taking into account the major maintenance model and financial plan;

D. An allocation to the facilities management division of the department of executive services's internal

service fund to reimburse the fund for expenses associated with the operation of the parking program; and

E. ~~((An allocation to the children and family set-aside fund for support of health and human services activities sufficient to increase the allocation from 2004 levels at the local consumer price index; and~~

F.)) The residual revenues distributed to the ~~((current expense))~~ general fund.