

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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1. BILL SUMMARY

1. **Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to parking; defining “blockface;” updating the definition of “parking payment device;” defining “pay-to-park signage;” allowing the Traffic Engineer to establish areas where parking is regulated by pay-to-park signage and to authorize additional methods of payment for parking; amending the description of certain parking penalties; amending parking and payment requirements; making technical changes; amending Sections 11.14.425, 11.16.300, 11.31.121, 11.76.005, 11.76.015, 11.76.020, and 11.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code; adding new Sections 11.14.062 and 11.14.438 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and repealing Section 11.76.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

2. **Summary and background of the Legislation:**

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) began replacing single head, coin-only parking meters with multi-space pay station kiosks in 2004. At that time, the Seattle Municipal Code required a number of updates in response to the new technology. SDOT later updated the Code to include “pay by phone” as an option for payment, and by implementing that new technology, improved the customer parking experience. SDOT recently completed the replacement of its aging pay stations with new pay stations and technology. The advancements in parking technology and payment methodology require another set of minor updates to the Seattle Municipal Code to reflect the way parking operates now, and which pave the way for how it will operate in the future. The proposed legislation:

- Changes the requirement for payment for parking a vehicle from presence of a payment device on the blockface to presence of signage on the blockface;
- Broadens the definition of parking payment devices and allows the SDOT Traffic Engineer to approve new methods of payment in the future, such as in-car payment applications;
- Allows for additional parking payment methodologies to be employed, including paying by license plate, in addition to the current pay and display and pay by phone methods;
- Requires parkers to provide information such as a parking space number or license plate number; and
- Removes outdated language related to old meters and changes references from “space” to “blockface” as we no longer have spaces defined by meters.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

a. **Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?** Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- a. Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes X No
- b. Does the legislation have other financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?
No
- c. Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

The current Seattle Municipal Code language is out of date and needs to reflect current and future parking and enforcement operations as well as new payment technologies that have the potential to increase efficiency and provide additional customer benefits.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

Yes, it affects the Seattle Police Department's Parking Enforcement Unit. The transition to pay-by-plate will consolidate all pay by phone and pay station data in one back office, allowing officers to more easily access all methods of payment in one place.

- b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?

No

- c. Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?

No

- d. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?

No

- e. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?

No

- f. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?

There are no Race and Social Justice Initiative implications for this legislation.

- g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s).

List attachments/exhibits below: