

**CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**ORDINANCE** 127126  
**COUNCIL BILL** 120875

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Center parking charges; amending Section 17.19.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 17.19.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 126229, is amended as follows:

**17.19.010 Seattle Center parking charges**

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B. Regular charges. ~~((The regular))~~ Seattle Center regular parking ~~((("Regular Parking")))~~ charges shall be composed of two types of charges: ~~((daily))~~ transient charges and ~~((monthly))~~ contract charges. Regular ~~((Parking))~~ parking charges shall apply to all vehicles (including vehicles displaying disabled permits and electric vehicles) unless the vehicle qualifies for a ~~((Special Parking))~~ special parking charge pursuant to this Section 17.19.010 or rules adopted under this Section 17.19.010. The ~~((Regular Parking))~~ regular parking charge shall be prorated commensurate with the size and number of parking space(s) required by vehicles, such as motorcycles, mopeds, buses, and other over- or undersized vehicles.

1. ~~((Daily))~~ Transient parking. ~~((Daily))~~ Transient charges shall be determined by the Director with consideration for demand and shall not be less than \$1 for the first hour of parking nor greater than ~~(((\$45))~~ \$75 for any 12-hour period.

2. Designated-hours ~~((monthly))~~ contract parking. ~~((Monthly))~~ Contract parking charges shall be not less than \$85 nor greater than ~~(((\$250))~~ \$275 for ~~((a monthly))~~ contract parking ~~((permit, valid))~~ on a space-available basis for designated hours. The ~~((monthly))~~

1 contract parking charge may be prorated, once per customer, when ((a-monthly)) contract  
2 parking ((permit)) is purchased for only a portion of a month, and when the subsequent month is  
3 also purchased with the same transaction, in accordance with rules adopted under this Section  
4 17.19.010.

5 C. Special ((Parking)) parking charges. At the discretion of the Seattle Center Director or  
6 the Director's designee, ((special)) Seattle Center special parking (((("Special Parking")))) charges  
7 may be established as follows:

8 1. ((Monthly)) Contract parking discounts. For the simultaneous purchase, not for  
9 resale at a profit, of ten or more ((monthly)) contract parking ((permits)) access cards for a given  
10 month, a discounted charge equal to not less than 60 percent of the ((monthly)) contract parking  
11 charge.

12 ((2. Parking scrip. For the purchase of a parking scrip, not for resale at a profit, a  
13 discounted charge equal to not less than 60 percent of the Regular Parking charge therefor.))

14 3. Premium)) 2. Reserved parking program. For the privilege of participating in  
15 the Seattle Center ((Facility premium)) garage reserved parking program (under which a non-  
16 designated parking space in such garage is reserved for the participant), a charge of not more  
17 than \$100 for the period of time coinciding with the event.

18 ((4.)) 3. In excess of 12 hours. For parking in excess of 12 hours, up to a total of  
19 24 hours, a fee equal to each 12-hour applicable event or non-event parking charge for the  
20 designated location.

21 ((5.)) 4. Parking ((coupons)) validation program. For the privilege of having the  
22 Seattle Center Department honor parking ((coupons)) validations, a charge per event as follows:  
23 If the Seattle Center Department incurs any costs for the production of the parking ((coupons))

1 validations or any incremental staffing costs due to their use, then the greater of the ~~((Regular~~  
2 ~~Parking))~~ regular parking charges that would apply to the parking of all vehicles for which the  
3 parking coupons are used plus the incremental staffing costs and actual production costs incurred  
4 by the Seattle Center Department, or a charge of not less than ~~(((\$1))~~ \$5, nor more than ~~(((\$45))~~  
5 \$75 for the period of time coinciding with the event plus a service charge of the greater of \$25 or  
6 one percent of each parking order. For purposes of this subsection 17.19.010.C.5, a "parking  
7 ~~((coupon))~~ validation" is a ~~((coupon))~~ validation authorized in advance by the Seattle Center  
8 Director or the Director's designee, containing at a minimum the limitations, conditions, and  
9 instructions specified by the Director or the Director's designee, that is purchased online, through  
10 the Seattle Center Transportation Services Office, via a venue lessee as part of an authorized  
11 parking program, distributed by a Seattle Center designated representative, received as part of a  
12 venue lessee's contract with Seattle Center, or distributed by the sponsor of an event or activity  
13 expected to require the use of parking facilities operated by the Seattle Center Department, and  
14 that is ~~((surrendered))~~ presented for electronic or visual verification by the driver of a vehicle  
15 upon entry to a Seattle Center garage in lieu of payment ~~((at the time of parking there))~~.

16 ~~((6. Short term premises licensees. For the purchase of a permit issued to short-~~  
17 ~~term premises licensees for use of Seattle Center parking facilities for a specified duration, a~~  
18 ~~charge of not less than \$15 and not more than \$45 for any 12-hour period.))~~

19 ~~((7.))~~ 5. Other parking charges

20 a. For a new contract parking access card or the replacement of a lost  
21 ~~((monthly))~~ contract parking access card, a charge of not less than \$5 and not more than \$15.

22 b. For a purchase of ~~((monthly))~~ contract parking after the close of the  
23 announced monthly parking sales period, a charge of \$15.

1 c. For the online customer transaction fee, a charge consistent with Section  
2 5.22.020.

3 d. For a lost parking facility entry ticket, an amount of not more than twice  
4 the 12-hour fee in place at time of entry.

5 e. For exceeding the designated hours limitation for designated-hours  
6 monthly parking, a fee ~~((equal to))~~ not exceeding each 12-hour applicable event or non-event  
7 parking charge for the designated location.

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9 E. When parking charges are due and payable. All parking charges imposed pursuant to  
10 this Section 17.19.010 shall be due and payable in advance or as of the commencement of the  
11 use of the subject parking area except when (1) a short-term premises licensee has contracted to  
12 pay for parking fees as part of ~~((the))~~ a Seattle Center ((Licensing Agreement)) licensing  
13 agreement, (2) a parking ~~((coupon))~~ validation is used, pursuant to subsection 17.19.010.C.5, (3)  
14 a client is invoiced for parking charges and pays according to standard Seattle Center invoicing  
15 provisions, or (4) automated parking equipment installed in the parking facility prohibits exiting  
16 the facility unless proof of payment is provided.

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Section 2. Section 1 of this ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code  
Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by the City Council the 21st day of November, 2024,  
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 21st day of  
November, 2024.



President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

☒ Approved / ☐ returned unsigned / ☐ vetoed this 26th day of November, 2024.



Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this 27th day of November, 2024.



Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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