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**CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**ORDINANCE** \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending Section 11.23.440 of the Seattle Municipal Code, to establish a formal parklet program in the public place.

WHEREAS, the Pedestrian Master Plan, adopted by Resolution 31157, establishes an objective to promote vibrant public spaces that encourage walking, including public spaces integrated with adjacent businesses; and

WHEREAS, the ten-year Move Seattle Strategy, developed in 2015, identifies the need to transform Seattle's streets and sidewalks into vibrant social spaces and calls for formalizing a parklet program; and

WHEREAS, the Pilot Parklet Program, launched in 2013, demonstrated the ability of parklets to provide active neighborhood gathering spaces that are well supported by businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Department of Transportation supports adopting a parklet program to increase vibrancy in neighborhood business districts, create a more attractive pedestrian environment, improve sidewalk mobility, and support local business needs; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Section 11.23.440 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 124261, is amended as follows:

**11.23.440 Parking privileges**

No person shall be granted a franchise, special privilege, or permit to the exclusion of any other person for parking vehicles on any roadway, except for the following uses:

A. Zones may be granted for taxicabs, official career consul vehicles, moving or loading, disabled persons, curb space parking including no parking zones, service parking, carpool parking, car share parking, food vehicles, or similar uses, or for any restricted parking zone program that may be developed. Establishment of a zone does not constitute a grant of franchise.

B. The Director may issue a permit to authorize the use of curb space or other parking spaces for amenities that facilitate useable open space, landscaping, public sanitation, or active recreation, including but not limited to bike-share stations and other bike-share-related facilities that are made available for general public use.

Section 2. The Director of Transportation may promulgate rules to aid in the administration of a parklet program, as authorized in Section 3.12.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, and  
signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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