

Chapter 10.48 OFF-STREET PARKING LOTS

Sections:

10.48.000 Definitions.

When used in this chapter, the following words shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

"Dwelling unit" shall mean a self-contained residential house, apartment, stock cooperative unit, or condominium unit occupied by a single household exclusively for residential purposes.

"Eligible driver" means a licensed driver identified as the registered owner of a currently registered vehicle who resides in a dwelling unit eligible for residential parking permits.

"Eligible residence" shall refer to a dwelling unit located on a parcel that is within a radius of 200 feet of a municipal lot with spaces designated for residential parking permits.

10.48.010 Established—Applicability.

Municipal off-street parking lots are established in the city and all of the provisions of this chapter shall be applicable thereto. Such off-street parking lots are those areas so designated by resolution of the city council.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12)

10.48.020 Method of regulation and control of use.

The method of regulation and control of parking or standing of vehicles in municipal off-street parking lots shall be determined by the city council, and may be by paid parking devices, attendants or any other appropriate means.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.1)

10.48.030 Length of time parking allowed.

- A. The limit of parking time which shall apply on municipal off-street parking lots shall be established by the city manager or designee.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or cause, allow, or permit to be parked, a vehicle in any municipal off-street parking lot in violation of signs erected or parking time established pursuant to this chapter.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to cause, allow, or permit any vehicle to remain in or upon any municipal off-street parking lot for more than the time paid for or time indicated by signs erected pursuant to this chapter.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.2; Ord. No. 788B, § 1, 2-13-2018; Ord. No. 816, § 11, 6-28-2022)

10.48.040 Permit parking in municipal lot—Generally.

- A. The city manager or their designee may designate specific parking spaces within a municipal parking lot as permit parking spaces. Permit parking spaces shall be clearly identified by curb markings and/or posted

signage stating the applicable permit requirements, hours, and restrictions. The city manager or designee may amend, suspend, or revoke any permit parking restrictions.

- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in a municipal off-street parking lot space which requires a parking permit unless such person has acquired a valid parking permit to park in such space from the city.
- C. The city manager or designee may adopt policies and/or administrative regulations to implement permit policies according to this chapter, including, but not limited to, the establishment of permit parking restrictions and the criteria for the issuance, eligibility, duration, quantity of permits, consistent with this chapter and other applicable laws.
- D. The following exemptions apply to permit parking spaces:
 - 1. Vehicles displaying disabled person or disabled veteran license plate or placard, as described in Vehicle Code Section 22511.5(a)(1), shall be exempt from the provisions of this article.
 - 2. A parking permit as designated by the council shall not guarantee or reserve to the holder thereof any permitted parking space in municipal lots.
 - 3. Permit parking restrictions shall not apply to police vehicles, authorized emergency vehicles, or city-owned vehicles when used for official business.

10.48.045 Permit Parking in municipal lot—Residential parking permits.

- A. The city manager or their designee may designate specific municipal parking lots, or portions thereof, to include permit parking spaces eligible for use with residential parking permits. Residential parking permits issued under this chapter shall be valid only in lots so designated and only in designated residential permit parking spaces within those lots.
- B. Vehicles associated with a valid residential parking permit may only be exempt from overnight parking restrictions, paid parking regulations, and parking time limits as posted in the municipal lot for which the permit was issued. Nothing in this section shall be construed as permitting any person to park a vehicle in violation of any other restriction on parking.
- C. The city manager or designee may issue residential parking permits with the following terms:
 - 1. The number of residential parking permits available for purchase per eligible residence shall be set or modified by resolution of the city council.
 - 2. If an existing placard system is in effect, the program shall maintain its current policies with the intention to transition to a virtual permit system. If a virtual permit system is available, the program can execute the following criteria:
 - a. Duration. A parking permit shall be issued with a term not to exceed one year from the date of issuance, unless earlier revoked or terminated, provided however that a permit shall automatically terminate when the permit holder ceases to reside in an eligible residence.
 - b. Eligibility. A residential parking permit may be issued only to an eligible driver who can demonstrate that they currently reside at an eligible residence. Persons may apply for residential parking permits per guidelines established by the city manager or designee to be issued a residential parking permit, each eligible driver shall provide the following information:
 - i. The applicant's full, true name and home address, and proof of residence;
 - ii. The applicant's driver license;
 - 3. A valid and current vehicle registration and license plate number of the vehicle for which a permit is being requested; The applicable permit fee shall be established by city council resolution and shall be charged at the time of issuance and/or renewal. The council may modify fees by resolution; and
 - 4. Other information as required by the city manager or designee.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.3)

10.48.050 Speed limit.

No person shall move any vehicle on any municipal off-street parking lot at any speed exceeding five miles per hour.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.4)

10.48.060 Use of entrances and exits.

- A. No person shall enter any municipal off-street parking lot over any area or driveway or the portion between any curb returns which is not marked with the word "entrance" or otherwise indicated by arrows, signs or words that it is a driveway or place for the entering of such parking lot.
- B. No person shall move any vehicle from any such parking lot into any public way over any area except an area marked with the word "exit" or otherwise indicated by arrows, signs or words that it is a driveway or place for the leaving of such parking lot.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.5)

10.48.070 Use of designated parking spaces—Blocking of traffic.

Parking spaces on municipal off-street parking lots shall be designated by lines or other appropriate markings. When parking spaces are so designated, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to stop, stand or park such vehicle other than in a regular designated parking space, across any such line or marking, or in such position that such vehicle shall not be entirely within the area so designated a parking space. No vehicle shall be parked, stopped or standing either wholly or partially in any driveway of any municipal off-street parking lot or in any manner which shall obstruct or interfere with the free movement of vehicles in such driveway or in any manner so as to obstruct or otherwise prevent or interfere with ingress to or egress from any regularly designated parking space.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.6)

10.48.080 Size of vehicles permitted.

- A. No person, without first obtaining authority from the police department, shall stop, stand or park any vehicle having a gross weight in excess of five thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine pounds in any municipal off-street parking lot.
- B. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle having an overall length in excess of twenty-one feet in any municipal off-street parking lot.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.7)

10.48.090 House trailers and truck trailers prohibited.

No person shall stop, stand or park any house or truck trailer in any municipal off-street parking lot.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.8)

10.48.100 Removal of vehicles from off-street parking lots.

- A. The police department of the city is empowered to remove, or cause to have removed to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the city, any vehicle that is stopped, standing or parked on any municipal off-street parking lot in violation of this chapter, or which is left on such municipal off-street parking lot for a period exceeding twenty-four hours, or seventy-two hours with a valid residential parking permit. The expense for such removal shall be the responsibility of the registered owner.
- B. The provisions of Article 2, Chapter 10, Division 11, of the Vehicle Code of the State of California pertaining to notice to owner and to garage keeper's lien, shall apply in the event of such removal.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.9)

10.48.110 Violations and penalties.

- A. For any violation of any provision of this chapter, the police department may issue notices to appear or citations in the usual form and manner as provided in the vehicle code of the state.
- B. Regarding parking permits, violations of this section include:
 - 1. Falsely representing oneself as eligible for a parking permit or furnishing false information in association with obtaining a parking permit.
 - 2. Copying, reproducing, or otherwise bringing into existence a counterfeit parking permit or permits without written authorization from the city manager or designee.
 - 3. Knowingly using or displaying a facsimile or counterfeit parking permit in order to evade posted parking restrictions.
 - 4. Selling, transferring or exchanging, or offering to sell, transfer, or exchange a parking permit(s) with any other person, or any other vehicle, except as provided for in this chapter and without written authorization from the city manager or designee.
 - 5. Knowingly committing any act that is prohibited by the terms of this chapter or any ordinance or resolution enacted by authority granted by this chapter.
- C. Parking penalties shall be established by resolution of the city council.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.10; Ord. No. 788B, § 1, 2-13-2018; Ord. No. 816, § 11, 6-28-2022)

10.48.120 Prima facie presumption in prosecution for violation.

In any prosecution charging a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter governing the stopping, standing or parking of a vehicle in any municipal off-street parking lot, proof that the particular vehicle described in the complaint was stopped, left standing or parked in violation of any provision of this chapter, together with proof that the defendant named in the complaint was at the time such stopping, standing or parking the registered owner of such vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the registered owner of such motor vehicle was the person who stopped, left standing or parked such motor vehicle at the point where and for the time during which such violation occurred.

(Ord. 486 § 4 (part), 1992; prior code § 13-12.11)