



Amending HBMC Chapter 10 and Chapter 13

**(Sections 10.04, 10.50, 10.56, 10.60, 10.64 and 10.68 &
Sections 13.08.005 and 13.08.080)**

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Background

Ordinance No. 4350 amends certain sections of Chapter 10 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code with respect to the City's metered parking program by providing the Parking & Camping Division with operational flexibility. As parking technology has evolved, the existing requirements have become outdated and limit the City's ability to efficiently manage parking operations.

Ordinance No. 4351 amends Chapter 13.08 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code by clarifying definitions and permit requirements for commercial and organized activities on the beach and adjacent beach areas.



Financial Impact

- No funds are required to approve the proposed changes to either ordinance.
- Proposed changes to Ordinance No. 4350 are administrative in nature and will provide staff with the flexibility necessary to implement a modern parking payment system and improve operational efficiencies.
- Proposed changes to Ordinance No. 4351 clarify existing regulations and administrative procedures for permitting commercial and organized activities within the City's beach areas.

Ordinance No. 4350

The proposed amendments to Chapter 10 would:

- Remove the requirement that every metered parking space be served by an individual parking meter.
- Eliminate coin payment as a required payment method.
- Authorize the installation and operation of multi-space pay stations in appropriate locations throughout the metered parking zone.
- Update Municipal Code language to provide greater operational flexibility and consistency.



Ordinance No. 4351

Chapter 13.08 regulates activities occurring on the beach and adjacent beach areas to protect public access, ensure visitor safety, preserve public resources, and provide for the orderly use of City facilities.

The proposed amendments to Chapter 13.08 would:

- Expands the definition of "Facilities" to clearly include City-owned amenities such as bonfire rings, buildings, parking lots, picnic tables, barbecues, courts, and lifeguard towers.
- Clarify that permits or written authorization are required for commercial services, equipment rentals, promotional activities, and organized recreational activities on the beach, adjacent beach areas, and within the Water Activity Zone.



Recommended Actions

- Approve for introduction Ordinance No. 4350 “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Sections 10.04, 10.50, 10.56, 10.60, 10.64, and 10.68 of Title 10 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code relating to Vehicles and Traffic.”
- Approve for introduction Ordinance No. 4351 “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Sections 13.08.005 and 13.08.080 of Chapter 13.08 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code relating to Beach Regulations.”



Questions?

