



City of Huntington Beach

File #: 20-1668

MEETING DATE: 6/1/2020

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Oliver Chi, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Chris Slama, Director of Community Services

Subject:

Adopt Resolution No. 2020-37 amending Resolution Nos. 2016-59, 2017-28, 2017-44, 2017-46, 2018-01, 2018-29, 2018-48, 2018-55, 2019-07, 2019-19 and 2019-87, which established a Consolidated Comprehensive Citywide Master Fee and Charges Schedule (Supplemental Fee Resolution No. 11) allowing patrons with disabled parking to park for free in beach parking lots along PCH and downtown parking structures

Statement of Issue:

On February 18, 2020, City Council voted to “direct staff to institute parking program modifications that would allow those with a disabled parking (DP) placard to park for free in our beach parking lots located along PCH and our downtown parking structures.”

The proposed program would allow patrons displaying a DP parking placard or license plate to park in existing marked disabled parking spaces, at no charge, in the following Off-Street City Pay Parking Lots: Blufftop, Dog Beach, Pier Plaza (between 1st & 7th Streets), First Street and Atlanta Avenue, First Street and Walnut Avenue, and Warner Avenue.

Financial Impact:

Estimating the loss in revenue associated with offering parking at no charge to DP vehicles is difficult, since the pay stations in the beach lots do not track payment according to DP vehicles versus non-DP vehicles. However, in the identified parking lots, there are 34 handicap spaces. Furthermore, on average, the typical metered parking space earns ~\$3,000 / year.

Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution No. 2020-37, “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Resolution Nos. 2016-59, 2017-28, 2017-44, 2017-46, 2018-01, 2018-29, 2018-48, 2018-55, 2019-07, 2019-19 and 2019-87, which established a Consolidated Comprehensive Citywide Master Fee and Charges Schedule (Supplemental Fee Resolution No. 11).”

Alternative Action(s):

Do not adopt the proposed Resolution and direct staff accordingly.

Analysis:

California State Law states vehicles that display a DP placard or license plate may park at no charge at any on-street parking space. The DMV regulation, however, does not require or grant free parking to DP placard or license plate patrons in off-street lots, such as the City's beach lots.

On January 22, 2019, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 4148, which reorganized ordinances pertaining to on-street parking meters and off-street parking lots. The reorganization combined all hourly parking rates for off-street lots in the Citywide Master Fee and Charges Schedule. This action continued to allow DP beach parking patrons to park at on-street parking meters at no charge following State law, and required payment for parking in off-street City Parking Lots in accordance with the standard Citywide Master Fee and Charges Schedule rates.

The proposed Resolution No. 2020-37 addresses the February 18, 2020, City Council direction to institute parking program modifications. If approved, the proposed Resolution would allow patrons displaying DP placards or license plates to park at no charge in existing marked disabled spaces for the following lots: Blufftop, Dog Beach, First and Atlanta, First and Walnut, Pier Plaza (between 1st & 7th Streets), and Warner.

Environmental Status:

Not applicable.

Strategic Plan Goal:

Enhance and maintain high quality City services

Attachment(s):

1. Resolution No. 2020-37, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Resolution Nos. 2016-59, 2017-28, 2017-44, 2017-46, 2018-01, 2018-29, 2018-48, 2018-55, 2019-07, 2019-19 and 2019-87, which established a Consolidated Comprehensive Citywide Master Fee and Charges Schedule (Supplemental Fee Resolution No. 11)".