

AN ORDINANCE 2008-10-02-0881

**RENEWING A PROGRAM PROVIDING FOR EXTENDED-TIME
PARKING PERMITS IN DOWNTOWN LOADING ZONES.**

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WHEREAS, on August 9, 2007, City Council authorized a pilot program providing for extended-time parking permits in the downtown area, the authorization being effected by Ordinance 2007-08-09-0858; and

WHEREAS, the pilot program was for one year and has expired; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to extend the program for another year; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The pilot program authorized by Ordinance 2007-08-09-0858 is extended through October 31, 2009.

SECTION 2. Funds generated by this ordinance will be deposited into Fund 53004000 Parking Revenue, Internal Order 219000000084 Parking Decals, General Ledger 4403142 Parking Service Charge Parking Decal - Commercial.

SECTION 3. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk for the City of San Antonio is hereby directed to publish notice of this Ordinance as required by the Charter of the City of San Antonio and the laws of the State of Texas.

SECTION 5. It is officially found, determined and declared, as a matter of legislative finding, that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including consideration and adoption of this Ordinance was appropriately given, all as required by Texas law.

SECTION 6. This ordinance becomes effective 10 days after passage, unless it receives the eight votes requisite to immediate effectiveness, in which case it is effective immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of **October 2008**.

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Attest:

City Clerk

Approved As To Form:

City Attorney



Request for
**COUNCIL
ACTION**



Agenda Voting Results - 16

Name:	5, 6, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30B
Date:	10/02/2008
Time:	10:40:42 AM
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve
Description:	An Ordinance authorizing a program providing for extended-time permits in downtown loading zones. [Pat DiGiovanni, Deputy City Manager; Paula X. Stallcup, Director, Downtown Operations]
Result:	Passed

Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Phil Hardberger	Mayor		x				
Mary Alice P. Cisneros	District 1		x			x	
Sheila D. McNeil	District 2		x				
Jennifer V. Ramos	District 3		x				
Philip A. Cortez	District 4		x				x
Lourdes Galvan	District 5	x					
Delicia Herrera	District 6		x				
Justin Rodriguez	District 7	x					
Diane G. Cibrian	District 8		x				
Louis E. Rowe	District 9		x				
John G. Clamp	District 10		x				



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
Request for Council Action

Agenda Item # 16
Council Meeting Date: 10/2/2008
RFCA Tracking No: R-3941

DEPARTMENT: Downtown Operations

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Paula Stallcup

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) IMPACTED:
Council District 1

SUBJECT:
Extended Time Permit for Commercial Loading Zone

SUMMARY:

This ordinance would authorize the Commercial Loading Zone Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program which provides additional time for commercial vehicles to park in commercial loading zones throughout the downtown area. This ordinance would continue the fees already established for the previous pilot program, which has expired.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As downtown has become more densely developed, deliveries to local businesses have become more difficult. Commercial Loading Zones (CLZs) are provided wherever practical, however, due to traffic constraints, CLZs cannot be located on every street in every block. This means that delivery personnel must often cart the materials they are delivering two or three blocks along the sidewalk to the venue they are trying to serve. In particularly dense areas, the vendor may need to make deliveries to multiple venues from a common CLZ. When this occurs, it is difficult for the delivery person to service all of the venues within the 30 minutes allowed in the CLZ.

A parking study by Carter & Burgess was presented to City Council in February 2008. The study highlighted concerns related to access of CLZs and specified the need to address the demands in these parking zones. Some of the large, high volume vendors reported that they receive up to \$8,000.00 in parking citations each year, most of these for being in a CLZ for longer than 30 minutes.

For each of these large, high volume vendors that need additional time in the CLZs there are also many small companies or deliveries that also need to utilize the CLZs. The 30 minute time limit was designed to ensure that no one spends more time in the CLZ than necessary, thus making it available for the next delivery person. The Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program has helped balance the needs of both groups.

Ordinance # 2007-08-09-0858 was passed on August 9, 2007 to approve the pilot program for one year. The City has spoken with current participants in the program and many have expressed an interest in continuing the program. As the current pilot program has expired, the City has agreed to allow a grace period not to exceed 60 days for current decal holders that wish to purchase a new decal under the proposed program terms.

ISSUE:

The proposed Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program will address concerns expressed by downtown stakeholders requesting extended time within the CLZs. The program will continue to provide vendors the opportunity to purchase a one-hour or a two-hour decal permit. The permits are in the form of a decal that is affixed to the commercial delivery vehicle. The decal is designed to be easily identified by the Parking Enforcement Officers as a one or two hour permit. The rules governing the use of an extended time permit are printed on the backside of the decal. All of the other rules governing the use of CLZs, such as identification signs on the commercial vehicle and times of day that the CLZ is available, are still enforced. The Parking Division in the Downtown Operations Department would be responsible for issuing, documenting, and enforcing all permits in connection with the Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program. In addition, the department will market the program to commercial vendors in the City.

ALTERNATIVES:

Failure to continue the program may result in an increased number of parking citations given to delivery vendors which may result in negative feedback from downtown stakeholders.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposed fee for the Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program is based on a sliding scale that provides for a discount for multiple permits needed by large delivery companies. The fee for a one-hour permit is proposed as follows:

- One or two permits = \$750.00 each
- Three or four permits = \$625.00 each
- Five or more permits = \$500.00 each

The fee for a two-hour permit is proposed as follows:

- One or two permits = \$1,500.00 each
- Three or four permits = \$1,200.00 each
- Five or more permits = \$1,000.00 each

The additional revenues collected from these permits would be deposited in the Parking Revenue Fund which supports all parking activities. The continuation of the Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program is anticipated to reduce the number of CLZ parking citations given in the downtown area. The net fiscal impact to the General Fund for lost fine revenue cannot be accurately calculated at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the Extended CLZ Parking Decal Program that provides extended time permits for CLZs.

ATTACHMENT(S):

File Description

File Name

[Voting Results](#)

[Ordinance/Supplemental Documents](#)

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DEPARTMENT HEAD AUTHORIZATIONS:

Paula Stallcup Director Downtown Operations

APPROVED FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Pat DiGiovanni Deputy City Manager