

ORDINANCE NO. 236

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 114, CONTROLLING VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC; AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 174.

The City of Coos Bay ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 38 shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 38. Parking Permits.

(1) Definitions:

Service or Construction Permit. A permit to allow the parking of a vehicle to engage in construction or to provide a service to a downtown business in excess of posted time limits.

Customer Courtesy Permit. A permit to identify customer vehicles using loading zones; permits issued to merchants for distribution to customers needing occasionally to park in excess of posted time limits.

Merchant Vehicle Permit. A permit to identify a merchant's vehicles used for the purposes of delivery or service.

Parking Permit. A permit issued to park a vehicle in excess of posted time limits in certain designated areas.

(2) Issuance. Applications for service or construction permits, customer courtesy permits, merchant vehicle permits and parking permits shall be made to the Finance Department of the City of Coos Bay. No permit shall be issued by the Finance Department unless the applicant first demonstrates special parking needs sufficient to support the issuance of a permit. Upon finding by the Finance Department that the applicant has demonstrated such need, a permit shall be issued, along with necessary identification cards and instructions for the permit's use.

(3) Fees; Additional Rules and Regulations. The City Council by resolution shall establish permit fees, and may establish unmarked loading zones and other rules and regulations to implement this Section.

(4) Use; Revocation; Violation.

(a) No person shall park in excess of posted time limits or in any restricted area without first having obtained the required permit.

(b) Any permit used for a purpose other than that for which it was specifically issued shall be automatically revoked without further action from

the City. At time of the permit is revoked, the holder must immediately return the permit card to the Finance Department.

(c) Any person who parks without first obtaining the necessary permit, who uses a validly issued permit in violation of this ordinance or who fails to return a revoked permit card will receive a citation. The Police Officer or Parking Control Officer will issue a citation at the time the violation is discovered and place it on the vehicle. Violations are subject to a fine, which shall be established by resolution of the City Council.

(5) Merchant Vehicle Permits.

(a) A business shall be entitled to use their Merchant Vehicle Permits only in those parking spaces which are actually adjacent to their business and designated "Merchant Vehicle Permit Area."

(b) Only service or delivery vehicles having valid Merchant Vehicle Permits shall have unlimited parking in the Merchant Vehicle Parking Area. All other loading and unloading activities not covered by Merchant Vehicle Permits shall be limited to a total of thirty minutes.

(c) The use of a Merchant Vehicle Permits in vehicles used for transportation of employees of businesses, including owners or salaried employees, is prohibited unless the vehicles are used for service or delivery in connected with the business holding the Merchant Vehicle Permit.

(d) All businesses and firms holding valid Merchant Vehicle Permits shall insure their vehicles do not prevent other persons entitled to use Merchant Vehicle Permit parking areas from using these areas for loading and unloading activities.

(6) Common Carriers. Common carriers and vehicles used for loading or unloading merchandise and having a gross weight of over 20,000 pounds shall be permitted to load and unload in front of the driveway of the business being served by the carrier or vehicle, provided that sidewalks and streets are unobstructed and no persons are endangered by such loading and unloading; provided, however that the common carrier or vehicle shall not be left unattended for periods of time greater than five minutes. No common carrier or vehicle utilizing a Merchant Vehicle Permit Parking area or loading zone must obtain a permit otherwise required by this Section, unless use of the area will be for periods of time greater than one hour.

(7) Publicly Owned Vehicles.

(a) Vehicles owned by or under control of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Oregon State Police, any County Sheriff of the State of Oregon, or any Police Department of any municipality of the State of Oregon may park in any area requiring a permit without first obtaining such permit.

(b) All other publicly owned or controlled vehicles shall obtain any permit required by this ordinance and shall be subject to any other parking regulations of the City of Coos Bay.

The foregoing ordinance was enacted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay this 4th day of February 1997 by the following vote:

YES: Mayor Joanne Verger, Councilors Joe Benetti, Cindi Miller, Don Spangler, Kevin Stufflebean, and Judy Weeks

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilor Jeff McKeown

Joanne Verger
Mayor of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon

ATTEST:

Joyce Jansen
Deputy Recorder of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon