

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0315

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

October 19, 2021

Restore Full Parking Management Operations by Repealing Resolutions that Allowed Free Metered Parking and the Imposition of Certain Fees and Delinquency Penalties

BACKGROUND

- A. On March 13, 2020, the City Council, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, adopted Resolution No. 2020-0075, declaring a local emergency. Section 7(c) of Resolution No. 2020- 0075 directed the City Manager and the City Attorney to “allow free on-street metered parking after 4:30 p.m. on weekdays and all day on weekends for up to 30 days.”
- B. On June 30, 2020, the City Council extended the local emergency indefinitely until terminated by the City Council.
- C. To help mitigate the economic impacts of the pandemic, on May 5, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-0108 modifying the imposition, application, or collection of certain fees and penalties and extend the duration of some permits. Two of the items modified by the Resolution were: parking citation penalties and parking citation collection activities. If parking citations are not paid within 35 days, a \$15 penalty is imposed. Resolution 2020-0108 suspended this penalty until 60 days after the termination of the local emergency. Resolution 2020-0108 also suspended parking citation collection activities until the termination of the local emergency.
- D. While Resolutions Nos. 2020-0075 and 2020-0108 provided much-needed economic relief during the height of the pandemic, these orders are now impacting businesses’ efforts to recover by limiting the turnover of parking spaces. A recent study of parking spaces near local vibrant businesses showed that up to 46% of those parking spaces were occupied by vehicles parking over the two-hour parking time limit. Residents and businesses within the Central City area have requested assistance from the Parking Services Division to facilitate the turnover of parking spaces and give more customers access to struggling businesses.
- E. The Parking Services Division is seeking to repeal Section 7(c) of Resolution No. 2020-0075 and the two items of Resolution No. 2020-0108 relating to parking citation penalties and collections.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 7(c) of Resolution No. 2020-0075 is repealed.

Section 2. The modifications of the following two items under Section 1 of Resolution No. 2020-0108 are repealed:

PARKING

Item	Action
Parking Citation - \$15 Collection Penalty	Penalty not applied until 60 days after termination of the local emergency.
Parking Citation – Collection Activities	Collection suspended until termination of the local emergency.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on October 19, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Ashby, Guerra, Harris, Jennings, Loloee, Schenirer, Valenzuela, Vang, and Mayor Steinberg

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Attest: **Mindy Cuppy** Digitally signed by Mindy Cuppy
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Mindy Cuppy, City Clerk

The presence of an electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the Sacramento City Council.