

ORDINANCE No. 188641

Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Oregon, Motor Carrier Division, to renew participation in the Continuous Operation Variance Permit program for oversize/overweight vehicles (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. House Bill 2635 was adopted by the 1999 Oregon Legislature. This Bill required the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to develop a statewide system for the issuance of Continuous Operation Variance Permits (COVPs) for trucks larger than statutory limits set in ORS 818.080 and require any road authority issuing COVPs to participate in this system. ODOT established OAR 734-070-0100 in response to HB 2635. City Code Section 16.70.650 was amended in 2007 to reflect the change to the permitting practice.
2. Currently, the City issues approximately 400 trip permits for non-reducible loads such as heavy equipment and a few COVPs for long loads like utility poles, triple-trailer combinations and modular homes annually, for which the City does not charge a fee. Of this number, approximately 25 percent may fall under the COVP program, creating savings in staff time and materials.
3. ODOT's Motor Carrier Division or a third-party contractor with the State will issue permits under the COVP program. Fees will be collected via this program. Fees are outlined in OAR 734-070-0140.
4. It is believed that many trucks that need COVPs are operating with an annual ODOT permit but no permit for City streets. Yearly COVP permits average around 7,000 permits with revenue around \$36,000. Revenues currently go to PBOT's general transportation revenue.
5. The City has a number of bridges that require weight limitations. Failure to limit the weight on these structures dramatically reduces their useful life and structural integrity.
6. The COVP program allows trucks to operate up to 105,500 pounds with a COVP permit. Currently these trucks may be operating in the City without knowledge of structures with weight limits at or below 80,000 pounds.
7. Transportation often receives complaints about inappropriate truck traffic on residential streets and maintenance requests for damage caused by trucks. In the past, each complaint was investigated. When a problem was identified, streets were signed to prohibit trucks that were not making local deliveries. This

resulted in a fragmented system of truck restricted streets, often diverting trucks from one problem area to another. This also makes enforcement difficult.

8. Currently, limited resources make it difficult for Transportation to attempt to limit truck access with additional signage. Portland's Transportation System Plan identifies preferred truck routes. Materials provided to COVP-permitted include a map that shows the preferred truck routes as identified in the Transportation System Plan.
9. This ordinance would supersede ordinance 176361 passed April 3, 2002.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

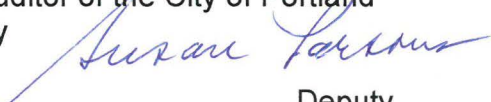
- a. That the Commissioner-in-Charge is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of Oregon, Motor Carrier Division in a form similar to the agreement attached as Exhibit A.

OCT 11 2017

Passed by the Council,

Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Prepared by: Matthew Machado; SP
Date Prepared: September 1, 2017

MARY HULL CABALLERO
Auditor of the City of Portland
By


Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Dan Saltzman	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>SEP 26 2017</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland
Mayor—Finance & Administration – Wheeler	By: <u><i>Susan Parsons</i></u> Deputy
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman <u><i>DS</i></u>	
Position 4/Safety - Eudaly	
BUREAU APPROVAL	ACTION TAKEN:
Bureau: PBOT <u>SDT</u> 9/25/17	OCT 04 2017 PASSED TO SECOND READING OCT 11 2017 9:30 A.M.
Group: Traffic Engineering	
Group Manager: Lewis Wardrip	
Asst. Director: Chris Warner <u>OW</u>	
Prepared by: M. Machado; CI	
Supervisor: Carl Snyder <u>CS</u>	
Date Prepared: September 1, 2017	
Impact Statement	
Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan <u>CA</u>	
Council Meeting Date October 4, 2017	

AGENDA
TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> Start time: _____ Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
CONSENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

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FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Fish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3. Saltzman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4. Eudaly	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheeler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	