

ORDINANCE No. 185835 As Amended

Replace Code for Towing and Pay and Park Facilities with Private Property Impound Towing and add Chapter 7.25 Pay and Park and Non-Pay Private Parking Facilities (Ordinance; replace Code Chapter 7.24 and add Code Chapter 7.25)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Portland City Code Section 7.24, Towing and Pay and Park Facilities, regulates towing of unauthorized vehicles from private parking facilities and issuance of penalties at pay and park and non-pay private parking facilities.
2. The amended Chapter 7.24 will eliminate exemptions from regulation of private property impounds and provide protection for vulnerable citizens such as low income and elderly living in subsidized housing complexes.
3. The addition of Chapter 7.25 will distinguish regulation of pay and park and non-pay private parking facilities from regulation of private property impound towing to prevent confusion.
4. The practice of impounding unauthorized vehicles from private property without the vehicle owner's permission requires City regulation to prevent abuse by non-compliant or unpermitted tow companies, and to ensure that public safety and convenience are protected.
5. Amendments to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapter 98, implemented since 2003 when this code was enacted, have further clarified local regulatory authority and incorporated several requirements already in City code for purposes of restricting aggressive practices. The proposed amendments to Chapter 7.24 are intended to make certain that City code does not conflict.
6. Oregon Revised Statutes 822.230 provides authority for cities and counties to regulate towing from private property. Federal law preserves, not preempts, local regulation of towing under these circumstances.
7. Chapter 7.24 should be replaced to provide better regulatory control of towing from private parking facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. Replace Chapter 7.24 of the City Code, Towing and Pay and Park Facilities, with Private Property Impound Towing as per attached Exhibit 1.

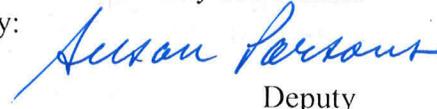
- b. Add Chapter 7.25 Pay and Park and Non-Pay Private Parking Facilities as per attached Exhibit 2.

Passed by the Council

DEC 19 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

By:



Deputy

Mayor Sam Adams

Prepared by: Marian Gaylord

Date prepared: 9/18/2012

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Adams	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>DEC 07 2012</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams <i>[Signature]</i>	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By: <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> Deputy ACTION TAKEN: DEC 12 2012 PASSED TO SECOND READING <i>As Amended</i> DEC 19 2012 9:30 A.M.
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	
BUREAU APPROVAL CAO: Jack D. Graham Bureau: Revenue Bureau Bureau Head: Thomas W. Lannom	
Prepared by: Marian Gaylord Date Prepared: 12/3/2012	
Financial Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date 12/12/2012	
City Attorney Approval <i>GF</i>	

AGENDA
TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> Start time: _____ Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/>
REGULAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: 30 min (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	—	
Adams	✓	