ORDINANCE No. 187409

Authorize Central Eastside Interim Commercial Off-Street Parking Pilot Program (Ordinance, waive Title 33)

The City of Portland Ordains:

Section 1. The Council Finds:

- 1. The Central Eastside is the Central City's highest density industrial employment district.
- 2. The Central Eastside has added approximately 2,000 new jobs since 2008.
- 3. City Council approved the Southeast Quadrant Plan on July 29, 2015 by Resolution 37147. The Southeast Quadrant Plan proposes Zoning Code and map amendments to increase employment densities throughout Central Eastside by at least 9,000 new jobs by the year 2035, and to allow limited commercial parking for employees, customers and residents of the district.
- 4. Portland City Code Title 33, Planning and Zoning, classifies most surface parking lots in the Central Eastside as Growth Parking for non-office uses, and requires these lots to be operated as accessory parking on weekdays from 7 AM until 6 PM. Commercial parking is prohibited during those hours (33.510.265.A.3 and 33.510.265.A.4).
- 5. Recent studies by the Bureau of Transportation have shown that on-street parking is fully utilized throughout much of the day, while between 3,000 and 4,000 off-street parking stalls are empty during peak business hours. Allowing limited commercial parking on existing surface parking lots in the district would make these 3,000 to 4,000 parking stalls available to employees, customers and residents of the district during the day when parking demand is highest.
- 6. In the Resolution approving the Southeast Quadrant Plan, City Council directed the Bureau of Transportation to initiate and manage a Commercial Parking Pilot Program in the Central Eastside to allow existing off-street surface parking facilities to be used by employees and residents of the district.
- 7. To implement the Commercial Parking Pilot Program, it is necessary and appropriate to waive the zoning code prohibition on commercial parking in the Central Eastside Subdistrict and requirement for conditional use review, for an 18-month period.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a) Portland City Code Section 33.510.265.A, which prohibits commercial parking within the Central Eastside Subdistrict of the Central City Plan District, and Portland City Code Chapter 33.140, which requires conditional use review for commercial parking in the Employment (E) and Industrial (I) zones, are hereby waived for eighteen (18) months to allow surface parking lots in the Central Eastside Subdistrict of the Central City Plan District that are legally existing on the effective date of this ordinance to be used for Commercial Parking by employees and residents within the Central Eastside, consistent with the recommendations of the Southeast Quadrant Plan.
- b) The Bureau of Transportation shall implement and manage the Central Eastside Interim Commercial Off-Street Parking Pilot Program consistent with the process established in Exhibit A.
- c) The zoning code waiver authorized in directive "a" shall be for an 18-month period, which shall begin on January 1, 2016 and end on June 30, 2017or at such time as the parking provisions applicable to the Central Eastside contained within Title 33 are formally amended to allow shared parking, whichever happens sooner.

Passed by the Council, OCT 28 2015

Commissioner Steve Novick Prepared by: Art Pearce/Grant Morehead:slg Date Prepared: September 28, 2015

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1. Fritz	1. Fritz	\checkmark	
2. Fish	2. Fish	\checkmark	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	\checkmark	
4. Novick	4. Novick	\checkmark	
Hales	Hales	\checkmark	