

RESOLUTION NO. 2506

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO EXISTING PERMIT PARKING
AREAS AND CREATING A NEW DOWNTOWN PARKING
DISTRICT PRUSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER
10.90 OF THE GOLDEN MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, City Council is committed to the health and vitality of our entire community, including the promotion of safe, clean, quiet neighborhoods and the convenience and success of the downtown area, both of which are specifically adopted Golden Vision 2030 Community Values; and

WHEREAS, the City of Golden is committed to a progressive integrated transportation approach that will support our community values and sustainability goals related to alternative modes of transportation and reduction in vehicle miles traveled; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined through direct community input and valid consultant studies that the downtown Golden area is being impacted by spillover parking impacts from a small portion of the Colorado School of Mines overall parking demand; and

WHEREAS, in cooperation with the Colorado School of Mines, the City desires to move forward with coordinated parking management systems that encourage campus related parking to remain on campus, freeing up additional downtown public parking capacity for residents, employees, customers and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 10.90 of the Golden Municipal Code was enacted and has been utilized to establish special permit parking restrictions for areas impacted by special generators including but not limited to, schools, colleges and universities, and special events venues; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 10.90 is currently drafted to address residential areas impacted by such special generators, and should be amended to reflect the potential application to mixed use or commercial areas as well; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that it is appropriate and desirable to enact a special parking district for the downtown core and to make certain adjustment to two existing neighborhood permit parking areas.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. City Council directs staff and the City Attorney to present an Ordinance amending Chapter 10.90 of the Golden Municipal Code to reflect the potential application of special permit parking restrictions to mixed use or commercial areas.

Section 2. Effective January 1, 2017, existing Neighborhood Permit Parking Zone 1 (CSM Campus North) is hereby amended in accordance with Exhibit A hereto, to:

- a. Delete sections on Arapahoe Street which will be incorporated in the new Downtown District,
- b. For consistency, re-designate portions on 11th, 12, 13th and 14th Street between Cheyenne and Arapahoe Streets as permit parking or 2 hour free parking as much of these streets are now designated.

- c. Transfer the sections of 15th Street immediately east and west of Washington Avenue to Zone 2 as described in Section 3 below.
- d. In order to improve consistency with CSM parking management, amend seasonal applicability for all of Zone 1 to the entire calendar year, and the daily period for Zone 1 to be from 8AM until 5PM, Monday through Friday, except for the portion west of Illinois Street which extends until 6 PM.

Section 3. Effective January 1, 2017, existing Neighborhood Permit Parking Zone 2 (CSM Campus South) is hereby amended in accordance with Exhibit B hereto, to:

- a. Reflect the inclusion of the portions of 15th Street near Washington Avenue transferred from Zone 1.
- b. Designate the following street segments as permit parking or 2 hour free parking:
 - The east side of Washington Avenue from 14th to 19th Streets;
 - The west side of Washington Avenue from 15th to 19th streets;
 - The north side of 16th Street from Washington Avenue west to the first alley;
 - The south side of 16th Street from Washington Avenue Arapahoe Street;
 - The east side of Arapahoe Street from 16th to 17th streets;
 - The north side of 17th street from Arapahoe Street to Washington Avenue;
 - Both sides of 17th Street from Washington Avenue to Jackson Street;
 - Both sides of 18th Street from Washington Avenue to Jackson Street;
 - The west side of Illinois Street to from 19th Street south to 22nd Street.
- c. Designate the east side of Illinois Street between 20th and 21st Streets as permit parking.
- d. In order to improve consistency with CSM parking management, amend seasonal applicability for all of Zone 2 to the entire calendar year, and the daily period for Zone 2 to be from 8AM until 5PM, Monday through Friday.

Section 4. Effective January 1, 2017, and subject to the prior enactment of an Ordinance amending Chapter 10.90 of the Golden Municipal Code to reflect the potential application of special permit parking restrictions to mixed use or commercial areas, City Council authorizes the creation of the Downtown Special Parking District with parking restrictions as depicted on Exhibit C hereto, and described below:

- a. The on-street area labeled as 2 hour free parking consists of Washington Avenue from 14th Street north to 11th, and will continue to be reserved for short term customer and visitor usage from 8AM to 5PM, without the ability to relocate a vehicle to another spot within the area for additional 2 hour periods.
- b. Areas designated as 2 hour free parking, downtown permit, and paid visitor shall be available on a first come first served basis for holders of downtown resident, employee, or guest permits, as well as for the general public free for up to 2 hours from 8AM to 5PM Monday through Friday, and for hourly or daily customer and visitor paid parking after 2 hours using either the nearby parking kiosk or phone application according to the fee structure in Section 7 below. Vehicles in these areas will also not have the ability to relocate for additional 2 hour free periods.
- c. The areas shown as customer and visitor parking shall be available free of charge for the initial period of 2 hours and then on a paid hourly or daily basis according to the fee structure in Section 7 below.

- d. The joint public private parking structure on Jackson Street north of 12th Street will be administered similar to subsection b above, with a negotiated arrangement for the privately owned spaces.
- e. Council further directs that staff install signage necessary to allow use of two spaces in front of the historic Post Office on 12th Street as 15minute parking from 8AM to 5PM Monday through Friday for quick trips into the Post Office.

Section 5. Within the Downtown Special Parking District, the City will implement and administer a permit system to accommodate downtown area employees whose employers demonstrate that they do not have sufficient on-site parking to accommodate such employees. The system would be administered in a manner similar to the administration of the City's residential neighborhood systems modified as follows:

- a. Each employer in the affected areas would have an account under the City's parking management software. Upon demonstration that the business has no or insufficient parking, the employer would be responsible for registering (by license plate) the autos of all employees seeking a permit for long term parking.
- b. The employer would be responsible to maintain adequate business records as well as records of employment or the equivalent to demonstrate the eligibility of permit holders.
- c. There would not be a specific fee associated with the application and issuance of the employee permit, however, the City may assess reasonable fines and fees for a business fraudulently acquiring license plate registrations or failing to delete license plate registrations as employees turn over.

Section 6. Within the Downtown Special Parking District, the City will implement and administer a permit system to accommodate downtown area residents who demonstrate that they do not have sufficient on-site parking to accommodate their vehicles. The system would be administered in a manner similar to the administration of the City's residential neighborhood systems, modified as follows:

- a. Permits would be purchased on an annual or semi-annual basis, utilizing the same proof of residency requirements as the other neighborhood systems.
- b. For those residential properties in buildings constructed prior to 1990 with no on-site parking, the annual fee would be \$225 for the first vehicle and \$450 per year for any additional vehicles.
- c. For those residential properties constructed with on-site parking as required by city code, regardless of how many spaces an individual unit has been assigned, permits can be secured at an annual rate of \$450 per vehicle for the first vehicle and \$900 a year for additional vehicles.
- d. A program for purchasing guest parking passes for properties in the Downtown Special Parking District will be developed in a manner similar to the neighborhood parking districts with a fee schedule proportionate to the above.

Section 7. Customers and visitors seeking to utilize the option to utilize designate parking for periods longer than the allowed short term period will have the option to register their vehicle license plates using either the nearby pay station kiosk or phone application. The initial rate for such extended parking will be \$2 per additional hour or \$8 per day. Requirements for paid parking would apply from 8AM to 5PM Monday through Friday. The City Manager is authorized to adjust such rates in the future, as needed.

Section 8. The City Engineer will retain the authority provided in Section 10.90.020 GMC to

make minor adjustments to expand both the downtown and neighborhood parking restriction area.

Section 9. City Council has determined that the implementation of this parking management program for the downtown area necessitates the establishment of a short term advisory committee to assess implementation issues and refinements. The City Manager is directed to establish such a committee for a period not to exceed June 1st 2018 unless authorized by City Council, and consisting of:

- a. One downtown resident
- b. One downtown retail business owner or manager
- c. One downtown office business owner or manager
- d. Two CSM students, consisting of one undergraduate and one graduate student
- e. One CSM faculty or staff member
- f. Two representatives each from Neighborhood Zones 1 and 2.

The committee will be supported by staff from both the City and CSM parking management and will meet on a schedule determined by the group to review and discuss issues associated with the unique aspects of the downtown parking management area.

Section 10. City Council acknowledges that the programs and restrictions described herein should be accompanied in the future by additional efforts to utilize parking policies to promote land use patterns and transportation infrastructure and systems that support our community sustainability and Golden Vision values. Increased opportunity for alternative modes and a reduction in vehicle miles travelled continue to be community priorities.

Adopted this 28th day of July, 2016.

Marjorie N. Sloan
Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, MMC
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

David S. Williamson
City Attorney

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I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a rescheduled regular business meeting thereof held on the 28th day of July, 2016.

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ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City
of Golden, Colorado