

Legislation Text

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Presenter/Contact

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 126 by creating Section 126-356, prohibiting parking in spaces and areas located on private property, designated for exclusive use by vehicles that display proper placard or license plates and are used for transporting persons with disabilities, and authorizing towing enforcement.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 681 entitled "Privileged Parking", authorizes political subdivisions to require persons who own or control private property to include designated parking spaces for persons with disabilities on private property, and to require compliance with state law on proper identification of such designated spaces. The Police Department is currently authorized by state law to enforce such parking violations on public property but in order to do so on private property, an ordinance must be adopted by the City Council. This ordinance authorizes the Police Department to enforce disabled parking violations on private property by issuing parking citations and it authorizes towing enforcement so long as towing signage is present.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance prohibiting parking in spaces and areas located on private property, designated for exclusive use by vehicles that display proper placard or license plates and are used for transporting persons with disabilities, and authorizing towing enforcement.