### CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

#### ITEM \_

98-547

**AGENDA:** 

DECEMBER 7, 1998

**SUBJECT:** 

PARKING RATES AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS FOR PARK AND RIDE FACILITY

#### **TYPE:**

RESOLUTION ORDINANCE *RECEIVE/FILE* 

#### **SUBMITTED BY:**

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#### **SYNOPSIS** -

With the pending opening of the Intermodal Park and Ride Facility in February 1999, it is necessary to establish the parking rates for this new facility, as well as additional traffic regulations on the streets surrounding the facility.

### FISCAL IMPACT -

During its first four months of operation (FY 1998-99), this facility is expected to generate approximately \$433,000 of revenue, with an estimated \$287,000 of expenses (including the shuttle operation), for a net revenue of \$146,000. For FY 1999-2000, the estimated revenue is \$1,330,000 and expenses are \$880,000, for a net estimated revenue of \$450,000. (By federal regulation, revenue from this facility may be used only for transit purposes, including park and ride facilities and related activities.)

### **RECOMMENDATION -**

**Refer to Legal Department for preparation of ordinances.** 

### **BACKGROUND** -

On June 16, 1997, by Roll Call No. 97-2036, the City Council approved a contract with Taylor Ball, Inc. for the construction of the Intermodal Park and Ride Facility (now referred to as the Center Street Park and Ride) located between 6th Avenue and 7th Street, from Center Street to Crocker Street. Construction of this 1815 space parking facility is nearing completion, and it is scheduled to open for parking in February 1999. With the pending opening of the garage for parking, it is necessary to establish the parking rates for this new facility, similar to the other municipal parking facilities.

The Park and Ride Facility is a new concept in parking for the City of Des Moines, with several significant differences from the other Municipal Parking Facilities. The Park and Ride Facility is located several blocks north of the Central Business District, with no Skywalk connection. Persons parking in the facility will be able to ride a free shuttle bus system that will deliver them to their downtown destination. The facility will also provide a childcare center, to further enhance its convenience and attractiveness to downtown workers and other parking patrons.

Because of its more remote location, lack of Skywalk connection, and necessity for a shuttle bus operation, a Park and Ride facility typically charges lower parking rates to attract parkers from the central core locations. By providing a substantial amount of new parking spaces and attracting some of the all-day employee parking from the central core, this facility should help relieve the shortage of monthly parking spaces and create additional parking opportunities for short-term "transient" parkers.

It is recommended that a base rate of \$45 per month be established, which is well below the rate of \$61 - \$63 per month for the City's other downtown parking garages, along with hourly and daily rates that are below the rates for core area garages. It is also recommended that a special event rate be established at a flat \$3.00 for special events at Vets Auditorium (or other locations).

In order to provide proper traffic flow and regulate parking in the vicinity of the new Park and Ride, it is necessary to modify several parking ordinances on the streets surrounding the facility. These changes will eliminate parking on the west side of 6th Avenue, where the garage exit drives and the shuttle bus entrance drive are located; add two-hour meters on the east side of 6th Avenue and the north side of Center Street adjacent to the child care center; and add ten-hour meters on the east side of 7th Street, the north side of Center Street, and the north side of Crocker Street. In addition, the closing and demolition of the 7th and Mulberry Garage will remove it from the Municipal Parking System, and from the designated parking rates. In conjunction with closing this facility and moving the monthly parkers to the 8th and Mulberry Garage, it is recommended that the 8th and Mulberry surface parking lot rate be reduced to \$45.00 per month, and also allow short-term parking to maximize the use of the lot and availability of parking in this area.

At their November 10, 1998 meeting, the Traffic Safety Committee recommended approval of these parking rates and the parking meter changes. The following ordinance changes are needed to implement the recommended changes.

### SEC. 27-656. OPERATION OF MUNICIPALLY-OWNED PARKING GARAGES.

The director of city traffic engineer and transportation is hereby authorized and directed to operate the city parking garages with the rates charged for parking to be those established in sections 27-657 through 27-657.067 of this subchapter unless the city council directs otherwise as provided in section 27-658 of this subchapter. No charge shall be made for parking in the parking garages on Saturday or Sunday. A maximum of \$1.00 shall be charged for nighttime parking in any parking garage between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., except for pre-paid special event parking.

## SEC. 27-657. RATES FOR EIGHTH AND MULBERRY PARKING GARAGE.

Subject to section 27-658 of this subchapter, the following rates shall be charged at the Eighth and Mulberry Parking Garage:

First Hour \$0.40 per hour Second Hour \$0.40 per hour Each Additional Hour \$0.50 per hour 12 Hour Maximum \$3.25 24 Hour Maximum \$4.25 Monthly Floater \$55.00 Monthly Reserved \$58.00 Surface Parking Lot <del>\$55.00</del> \$45.00 per month (monthly parking only)

### SEC. 27-657.01. RATES FOR <del>SEVENTH AND</del> <del>MULBERRY</del> CENTER STREET PARK AND RIDE PARKING GARAGE.

Subject to section 27-658 of this subchapter, the following rates shall be charged at the Seventh and Mulberry Center Street Park and Ride Parking Garage:

Monthly - ground, basement, 2nd floor \$50.00 Monthly - 3rd, 4th floor \$45.00 Monthly - 5th floor, roof \$40.00 First Hour \$0.40 per hour Second Hour \$0.40 per hour Each Additional Hour \$0.50 per hour 12 Hour Maximum \$3.00 24 Hour Maximum \$4.00 Monthly Floater \$45.00 Monthly - 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. \$30.00 Pre-paid Special Event \$3.00

# SEC. 27-2029. CENTER STREET--FIFTH AVENUE TO EIGHTH STREET.

Center Street, on the north side, from Sixth Avenue to a point 100 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

Center Street, on the north side, from Seventh Street to a point 20 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

#### SEC. 27-2097. CROCKER STREET--SIXTH AVENUE TO FOURTEENTH STREET.

Crocker Street, on the north side, from Sixth Avenue to a point 25 feet west thereof, no parking any time.

Crocker Street, on the north side, from Seventh Street to a point <del>50</del> 115 feet east thereof, no parking any time.

# SEC. 27-1643. SEVENTH STREET--KEOSAUQUA WAY TO PARK STREET.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 50 feet north of Keosauqua Way to Park Street, no parking 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M.

### SEC. 27-1644. SEVENTH STREET--PARK STREET TO UNIVERSITY AVENUE.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from Center Street to a point <del>215</del> 15 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 170 feet north of Center Street to a point 150 feet north thereof, no parking any time.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from Crocker Street to a point 25 feet south thereof, no parking any time.

## SEC. 27-1621. SIXTH AVENUE--KEOSAUQUA WAY TO CROCKER STREET.

Sixth Avenue, on the west side, from Center Street to <del>a</del> point 60 feet south of Crocker Street, <del>two hour</del> no parking 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. any time.

### SEC. 27-1622. SIXTH AVENUE--CROCKER STREET TO UNIVERSITY AVENUE.

Sixth Avenue, on the west side, from Crocker Street to a point 200 feet south of School Street, two hour parking, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Sixth Avenue, on the east side, from Crocker Street to a point 125 feet south of School Street, two hour parking 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

# SEC. 27-2850. SIXTH AVENUE--PARK STREET TO CENTER SCHOOL STREET.

Sixth Avenue, on the east side, from Center Street to Crocker Street, four hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Sixth Avenue, on the east side, from Crocker Street to a point 125 feet south of School Street, four hour meters, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Sixth Avenue, on the west side, from Crocker Street to a point 200 feet south of School Street, four hour meters, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

# SEC. 27-2851. SEVENTH STREET--KEOSAUQUA WAY TO PARK STREET.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 80 feet north of Keosauqua Way to Park Street, four hour meters, 9:00 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

# SEC. 27-2852. SEVENTH STREET--PARK STREET TO SCHOOL STREET.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 320 feet north of Center Street to a point 25 feet south of Crocker Street, ten hour meters, 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Seventh Street, on the east side, from a point 215 15 feet north of Center Street to a point 155 feet north thereof, ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

# SEC. 27-2886. CENTER STREET--FIFTH AVENUE TO NINTH STREET.

Center Street, on the north side, from Fifth Avenue to <del>a</del> point 40 feet east of Eighth Street Sixth Avenue, ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Center Street, on the north side, from a point 100 feet west of Sixth Avenue to a point 20 feet east of Seventh Street, two hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Center Street, on the north side, from Seventh Street to a point 40 feet east of Eighth Street, ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

### SEC. 27-2889.01 CROCKER STREET - FIFTH AVENUE TO SIXTH AVENUE

Crocker Street on the north side, from a point 50 feet west of Fifth Avenue to Sixth Avenue, ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

### SEC. 27-2889.02. CROCKER STREET-SIXTH AVENUE TO SEVENTH STREET

Crocker Street, on the north side, from a point 25 feet west of Sixth Avenue to a point 115 feet east of Seventh Street, ten hour meters, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

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