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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>41</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	[ _____ ]
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<u>16-277</u>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Amending Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding monthly parking rates in City parking garages.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of parking rate changes for monthly floater, monthly preferred, and monthly reserved parking.

Rate adjustments are as follows:

- Increase the rates to be consistent in all parking garages on July 1, 2016.
  - Monthly Floater = \$110, Monthly Preferred = \$130, Monthly Reserved = \$150.
  - This impacts the 3<sup>rd</sup> & Court, 4<sup>th</sup> & Grand, 5<sup>th</sup> & Keo, and 8<sup>th</sup> & Mulberry parking garages. Currently at \$100 (floater), \$120 (preferred), and \$140 (reserved).
- Increase all rates by \$5 on January 1, 2017.
  - Monthly Floater = \$115, Monthly Preferred = \$135, Monthly Reserved = \$155.
- Increase all rates by \$5 on January 1, 2018.
  - Monthly Floater = \$120, Monthly Preferred = \$140, Monthly Reserved = \$160.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: Additional Revenue estimated at up to \$430,000 per year.

Funding Source: 2016-2017 Operating Budget, Page 72, Engineering Department Traffic and Transportation – Parking Administration, EG062085

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

At the City Council Workshop on January 25, 2016, staff presented a summary of the activity for the parking system for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017, along with these proposed changes to increase revenues for the parking system. The infrastructure needs for the parking system continue to grow as the ramps continue to age. Four (4) of the eight (8) ramps are over 30 years old, with an expected average life of 45 years. In addition, large capital expenditures are anticipated from the new East Village parking garage coming online at the end of 2017 and the demolition of the 5<sup>th</sup> & Walnut and 4<sup>th</sup> & Grand parking garages in the next 15 years.

The cost/space/year for expenses related to operations, maintenance, and debt service of these facilities is \$857 per space/year, with costs continuing to rise as the system ages. This shows that over 60% of our annual revenues per space are going toward operations, maintenance, and debt service expenses. These monthly rate increases would allow the City to help offset the ongoing capital costs associated with the construction and maintenance projects for these facilities. Capital costs vary year to year. In FY 2015, capital improvement costs were \$439 per space.

Approval of this action is estimated to increase parking revenues by up to \$430,000 per year. These rates are proposed to be phased in starting at the beginning of FY 2017 on July 1, 2016. Two (2) further increases are proposed to follow in January 2017 and January 2018.

The last major parking rate increase to monthly parking rates in the ramps was approved by Council on December 5, 2005, by Roll Call No. 14-519. This was a substantial increase implemented in four (4) phases, with the first phase effective January 1, 2006, and the fourth phase effective January 1, 2009.

Hourly rate adjustments were approved for the first two (2) hours of transient parking, the flat night rate, the prepaid Saturday rate in the Court Avenue District, and the prepaid event-parking rate for large events on June 8, 2015, by Roll Call No. 15-0956.

Notice of proposed rate adjustments were mailed to all current affected monthly parkers. In addition, notices were posted in garage elevators and on the ticket machines at garage entrances.

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: June 8, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-0956](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 114 of the Municipal Code regarding hourly, night, and event parking rates in City parking garages. Moved by Gatto that this ordinance do now pass, [#15,373](#). Motion Carried 7-0.

#### **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

#### **ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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