



City of Pittsburgh

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Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh Code, Title Five - Traffic, Article VII - Parking, Chapter 541: General Parking Regulations, Section 541.08, Public Parking Authority of Pittsburgh, by adding language to require the Public Parking Authority to obtain legislative approval from Council prior to the issuance of a Request for Proposal for the sale or lease of any assets.

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**WHEREAS**, for over half a century the Council of the City of Pittsburgh has recognized parking as a public good and created a municipal authority to regulate the supply of public parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the parking assets owned by the Pittsburgh Parking Authority are the assets of the citizens of Pittsburgh; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh has approved an agreement establishing a cooperative relationship with the Pittsburgh Parking Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, any firm responding to a request for proposals to purchase or lease the parking assets belonging to the citizens of Pittsburgh and regulated by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh should know in advance whether or not the Council of the City of Pittsburgh supports the leasing of the assets and will cooperate in the raising of parking rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of the Parking Authority has established a sub-committee consisting of only one voting board member to represent the Authority's interest in this matter; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Pittsburgh deserve accountability in a matter as significant as the sale or lease of public assets,

**The Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby enacts as follows:**

**Section 1.** The Pittsburgh Code, Title Five, Traffic, Article VII, Parking, and Chapter 541: General Parking Regulation, Section 541.08, Public Parking Authority of Pittsburgh, is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

**541.08 PUBLIC PARKING AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH.**

(a) The Public Parking Authority of Pittsburgh shall, pursuant to agreement with the city, have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient for the administration, supervision and enforcement of an efficient system of on-street parking regulation. The powers shall include the

following powers and rights:

(1) To issue parking tickets for illegally parked vehicles;

(2) To administer, supervise and enforce the Residential Permit Parking Program in Chapter 549;  
and

(3) To own or lease any personal property used in connection with the exercise of any power provided herein.

(b) The authority established in division (a) shall not supersede, diminish or restrict the exercise by the City of its full police powers, which include, but are not limited to, the power to establish parking ordinances and regulations and charges for on-street parking.

**(c) No less than 60 days prior to the intended issuance of any Request for Proposals for the sale or lease of any assets for which the proceeds are to be deposited in any account belonging to the City of Pittsburgh or used to cover any expenses incurred by the City of Pittsburgh, the authority shall obtain legislative approval from the Pittsburgh City Council for the issuance of the Request for Proposals.**

(e d) Ordinance No. 1, effective February 4, 2000, extended the term of existence of the Parking Authority until January 31, 2050, pursuant to the Parking Authority Law, Act of 1967, P.L. 458, as amended. (Ord. 1-1995, eff. 2-1-95; Am. Ord. 1-2000, eff. 2-4-00)