

ORDINANCE NO. 626

(AS AMENDED THROUGH 626.10)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
RELATING TO COUNTY PARKING FACILITIES**

Section 1. **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to establish regulations concerning the use and operation of County Parking Facilities.

Section 2. **AUTHORITY.** This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to California Vehicle Code Sections 21113 and 22519.

Section 3. **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- a. County. The County of Riverside.
- b. County Employee. A person who works for, or with, the County of Riverside in a permanent, Temporary Assignment Program (TAP), contractor, intern or volunteer position or a person who has been issued or who has purchased an employee, volunteer, contractor or temporary parking permit.
- c. County Vehicle. A vehicle owned or leased by the County.
- d. Driveway. An entrance or exit used by vehicles to access County Parking Facilities or a vehicle corridor within County Parking Facilities.
- e. EDA. The County of Riverside Economic Development Agency.
- f. Electric Vehicle Charging Stall. A marked parking stall with a device or station installed that provides power to charge the batteries of an electric vehicle.
- g. Handbill. Any printed or written matter, circular, flyer, leaflet, pamphlet, paper, booklet or any other printed matter or literature which is not delivered by United States mail.

- h. Parking Access Device. A device enabling a vehicle to enter and exit County Parking Facilities to which access is controlled. Parking access devices shall include, but are not limited to, parking access cards and transponders.
- i. Parking Facility. A parking structure or surface parking lot owned, leased or operated by the County in or upon which the County allows the parking of motor vehicles, whether located within the unincorporated area of the County or within the boundaries of an incorporated City.
- j. Parking Stall. The area between two parallel lines painted on the ground or the area between lines forming a “T” or “L” painted on the ground. Parking stalls shall not include hatched or crosshatched areas painted on the ground or any areas fully enclosed by solid lines painted on the ground.
- k. Parking Structure – A building for the parking of motor vehicles, having two or more tiers or levels and with the top tier either roofed or not.
- l. Permanently Affixed. Incapable of being removed without destruction.
- m. Reserved Parking Stall. A Parking Stall that is designated by a sign, stenciling or both that has been assigned to a specific person or department.
- n. Surface Parking Lot – An open area designated for parking motor vehicles, both secured and non-secured.

Section 4. APPLICATION. This ordinance shall apply to all County Parking Facilities that have signs posted at each entrance bearing substantially the following language: “PARKING BY PERMIT ONLY – VIOLATORS WILL BE CITED – Riverside County Ordinance No. 626” or “COUNTY PARKING ORDINANCE NO. 626 STRICTLY ENFORCED.”

Section 5. PARKING PERMITS. Except as provided in Section 6 of this Ordinance, parking in County Parking Facilities, shall be regulated by the following permits and devices:

- a. Employee Permit – A vehicle properly displaying a current, EDA-authorized permit may park in any employee-only, designated parking facility in the County, provided any applicable fee has been paid.
- b. Temporary or Volunteer Permit – A Temporary Permit is a paper permit, which may be issued for up to one (1) month. Up to three (3) Temporary Permits may be issued per calendar year to an individual. A Volunteer Permit may be issued for up to six (6) consecutive months. A vehicle displaying either one of these permits may be parked in the employee-only areas of all County Parking Facilities, provided any applicable fees have been paid and all information fields on the application have been filled out completely.
- c. Carpool Parking Placard – A vehicle properly displaying this permit may park in the carpool-only areas of all County Parking Facilities, provided the vehicle displaying the Carpool Parking Placard is a marked County vehicle, has properly displayed an authorized Employee Permit, or has properly displayed a Temporary Permit, and all applicable fees have been paid.
- d. Parking Validation Stickers – A Parking Validation Sticker in one-hour or two-hour increments may be issued by a County department or division for authorized, visiting guests in any County fee-charging Parking Structure. Issued validation stickers must be equal to or greater than the fees due. A maximum of eight (8) hours validates a full day of parking in County-owned Surface Parking Lots or Parking Structures. Validation stickers may be purchased through the EDA Parking Services Office.
- e. Parking Access Device – A person in possession of this device may enter and exit the assigned County Parking Facilities allowing access to those assigned Parking Facilities, provided that all applicable fees have been paid.

- f. Parking Vouchers – A person may obtain a Parking Voucher from the Clerk of the Board when attending a scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors to testify or address the Board. A person in possession of a Parking Voucher may park their vehicle in the County-owned Parking Structure located at 3535 12th Street or 4080 Lemon Street (County Administrative Center) during the Board of Supervisors' meeting without paying the usual, required fee.
- g. Temporary Training/Meeting Permit – A Temporary Training/Meeting Permit is a paper permit printed and issued by a County department other than EDA/Parking Services. This permit shall be issued for a maximum of one (1) day and contain the driver name, vehicle license plate number, effective date, location and name of the department issuing the permit. A vehicle displaying this permit may be parked in the employee-only stalls of all County Parking Facilities, providing all applicable fees have been paid and all information fields that are required have been filled out completely. These Temporary Training/Meeting Permits will be issued by the department conducting the training or meeting after the permit has been reviewed and approved by the EDA Parking Services Office.
- h. After Hours Placard – An After Hours Placard is a hanging placard issued to non-County employees. The placard shall list the dates on which it is effective. A vehicle properly displaying this placard may be parked in the employee-only areas of all County Parking Facilities from the hours of 5:00p.m. – 5:00a.m. daily, provided all applicable fees have been paid.

Section 6. PARKING PERMIT EXCEPTION. No parking permit of any type is required for non-employees to park in the public-only areas of all County Parking Facilities.

Section 7. PROPER DISPLAY OF PARKING PERMITS. Parking permits shall be displayed in the follow manner:

- a. The parking permit referenced in section 5.a of this ordinance shall be permanently affixed to the front of the parked vehicle's windshield, four (4) to six (6) inches from the bottom of the windshield on the passenger side of the vehicle.
- b. The parking permits referenced in sections 5.b and 5.g of this ordinance shall be displayed from the rearview mirror or shall be displayed on the dashboard of the vehicle in a manner such that the permits themselves and their effective dates, names and license plate numbers are fully visible from the outside of the vehicle.
- c. The parking placards referenced in sections 5.c and 5.h of this ordinance shall be hung from the rearview mirror of the vehicle or shall be otherwise made completely visible from the outside of the vehicle.

Section 8. RESERVED PARKING SPACES. The Assistant County Executive Officer/ECD, or his or her designee, shall direct and control the designation of reserved parking spaces. Pursuant to Vehicle Code Section 22511.8, he or she may reserve parking spaces for the exclusive use of any disabled person or disabled veteran displaying a special license plate or placard issued in accordance with Vehicle Code Sections 22511.55 and 22511.59. The Assistant County Executive Officer/ECD, or his or her designee, may also reserve parking space for the exclusive use of County officials, agencies, departments or employees.

Section 9. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO PARKING. No County employee, on or off duty, shall park a vehicle in the public-only areas of any County Parking Facility unless parked in an electric vehicle charging space while actively charging the vehicle. No County employee or any other person shall do any of the following:

- a. Park in a designated disabled or disabled veteran parking space without displaying a special license plate or placard, issued in accordance with Vehicle Code Sections 22511.55 and 22511.59.
- b. Park in an area not designated for parking.
- c. Park in designated red zone.

- d. Park in a reserved space without the appropriate authorization.
- e. Park a County vehicle in a public-only parking area.
- f. Park outside the confines of a parking space.
- g. Occupy more than one (1) parking space.
- h. Block or obstruct a driveway.
- i. Fail to properly display a required parking permit.
- j. Park with an expired permit.
- k. Fail to pay a required monthly parking fee.
- l. Fail to pay the required exit fee.
- m. Violate a parking time limit.
- n. Block or obstruct another vehicle.
- o. Block or obstruct a toll booth.
- p. Back a vehicle into a parking stall in a parking structure.
- q. Alter or forge a parking permit.
- r. Park a non-electric vehicle in an electric vehicle charging stall
- s. Park any vehicle in an electric vehicle charging station stall while not charging or after charging has been completed.
- t. Charge a vehicle while not parked in a non-electrical vehicle charging stall.
- u. Park a non-County-owned vehicle in any County Parking Facility in excess of twenty-four (24) hours without prior written authorization from the Parking Services Office of EDA.
- v. Park a non-County-owned vehicle in the Orange Street Parking Structure located at 4293 Orange Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

Section 10. OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES. No County employee or any other person shall deposit, fasten or leave any Handbill in or upon any vehicle located in a County Parking Facility unless the occupant of such vehicle is present and willing to accept the

Handbill. The Board of Supervisors has adopted this content-neutral regulation to prevent the littering and traffic safety problems associated with Handbill distribution in Parking Facilities.

Section 11. PARKING ACCESS DEVICE. No County employee or any other person shall allow another vehicle to enter or exit a County Parking Facility using his or her parking access device. No person shall lend, give or borrow another person's parking access device.

Section 12. ENFORCEMENT. This ordinance shall be enforced by a County Parking/Ordinance Enforcement Officer under the direction and control of the Assistant County Executive Officer/ECD or his or her designee.

Section 13. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES. Any person violating Section 9.a of this Ordinance shall be punished by a three hundred sixty dollar (\$360.00) fine and may have his or her parking permit or access device revoked. If a Section 9.a citation is canceled due to the person who received the citation showing proof that he or she was issued a valid placard at the time the citation was received, a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) cancellation fee will be charged pursuant to Vehicle Code Section 40226.

- a. A one hundred dollar (\$100.00) additional penalty may be added to all violations relating to disabled person spaces and placards. The collected additional penalties shall set be set aside and be used for improving enforcement of disabled person parking spaces and placards.
- b. A 20% assessment may be added to all violations (on street or off street) pertaining to disabled person spaces (including ramps and access). Collected assessments shall be used by the County for services to elderly or functionally impaired adults pursuant to Penal Code Section 1465.5. Any person, who violates any other provision of Section 9 or 11 of this Ordinance shall be issued a fifty-three dollar (\$53.00) fine and may have his or her parking access device revoked. A twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) fee may be added to any fine each time a check is returned for insufficient funds, and an administrative charge may be added to any delinquent fine to cover the cost of collection. Any person violating Section 10 of this

ordinance shall be: 1) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine, not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00), for a first violation; and 2) guilty of an infraction offense and punished by a fine, not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00), for a second violation. The third violation and any additional violations perpetrated by the same person within the same calendar year shall constitute a misdemeanor offense and shall be punishable by a fine, not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or six (6) months in jail, or both. Notwithstanding the above, a first or second offense may be charged and prosecuted as a misdemeanor.

Section 14. REMOVAL OF VEHICLES. In addition to the penalties described in Section 13 of this ordinance, a vehicle may be removed to the nearest public storage facility under the circumstances described in Section 22658 of the Vehicle Code. In the event a vehicle is removed, the notices required by Sections 22852 and 22853 of the Vehicle Code shall be given.

Section 15. PARKING FEES. Parking fees related to the parking of vehicles in all County Parking Facilities are hereby established as follows:

Monthly Parking Rate – County and Non-County Cardholders

Monthly Parking – County	\$ 35.00
Monthly Parking – Non-County	\$ 65.00
Monthly Parking – Motorcycle Decal	\$ 7.00

Non-Monthly Parking Rates

Per Hour	\$ 2.00
Maximum Per Day	\$ 8.00
Lost Ticket Fee	\$ 8.00
1-Hour Parking Validation Stamp - County	\$ 2.00
1-Hour Parking Validation Stamp – Non-County	\$ 2.00
2-Hour Parking Validation Stamp – County	\$ 4.00
2-Hour Parking Validation Stamp – Non-County	\$ 4.00

Parking Citation Fee/Fine	\$ 53.00
Returned Check Fee	\$ 25.00
Handicapped Citation Fee	\$360.00
Per Space Reserved Annual Parking Fee	\$500.00
Annual Motorcycle Decals	\$ 84.00
<u>Electric Vehicle Charging Fees</u>	
Level 2 Chargers	\$0.34/kWh
Level 2 Chargers After 4 Hour Maximum Charging Limit Reached	\$2.00/hr.
DC Fast Chargers	\$0.35/kWh
DC Fast Chargers After 30 Minute Maximum Charging Limit Reached	\$0.50/min.

Section 16. SEVERABILITY. If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance, or the applications of such provisions, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or applications and, to that end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 17. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.”

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