

An Ordinance of the City of Plano, Texas, amending Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article V, Stopping, Standing and Parking, of the Code of Ordinances to prohibit parking over three hours on certain public streets and public parking lots in the downtown Plano area, within the city limits of the City of Plano; and providing a penalty clause, a repealer clause, a severability clause, a savings clause, a publication clause, and an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Plano Engineering Department conducted a study of on-street parking needs in the Historic Downtown Plano Area; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation of the on-street parking study suggests changing the length of permitted parking from the existing four-hour maximum to a three-hour maximum; and

WHEREAS, downtown Plano stakeholders and Plano Chamber of Commerce representatives having been presented with study findings and recommendations support the proposed change to a three-hour time limit; and

WHEREAS, the Plano Engineering Department believes the proposed change of the maximum public parking time limit from the current four-hour maximum to a three-hour maximum will improve access to merchants and downtown services while improving traffic safety of the general public within the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS, THAT:

Section I. Section 12-104, Sec. 12-104.1, and Sec. 12-104.5 of Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article V, Stopping, Standing and Parking, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano, Texas, is repealed in its entirety:

Section II. Section 12-104, Sec. 12-104.1, and Sec. 12-104.5 of Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article V, Stopping, Standing and Parking, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano, Texas, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

“Sec. 12-104. – Three-hour parking.

No person shall, at any time, park, in a designated parking space, a vehicle for a period longer than three (3) hours in the following locations:

- (1) Head-in parking spaces along the north side of 15th Street between its intersection with K Avenue and its intersection with Alex Schell Place;
- (2) Head-in parking spaces along the south side of 15th Street between its intersection with K Avenue and its intersection with I Avenue;

- (3) Head-in and parallel parking spaces along the north side of 15th Place between its intersection with K Avenue and its intersection with Alex Schell Place;
- (4) Parallel parking spaces along the west side of K Avenue between its intersection with 15th Place and its intersection with 16th Street;
- (5) Parallel parking spaces along the east side of K Avenue, between its intersection with Vontress Drive and its intersection with 14th Street;
- (6) Head-in parking spaces along the north side of 14th Street between its intersection with K Avenue and its intersection with Municipal Avenue/L Avenue; and
- (7) Head-in parking spaces along the west curb line of Municipal Avenue/L Avenue, starting at a point 170 feet south of its intersection with 15th Street and continuing north to its intersection with 15th Street.”

“Sec. 12-104.1. - Three-hour parking during specified periods.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle for a period of time longer than three (3) hours in the following locations during the specified times:

K Avenue: Along the east side of K Avenue from one hundred eighty-five (185) feet north of 15th Place to thirty-three (33) feet north of 15th Place between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

K Avenue: Along the east side of K Avenue from forty-five (45) feet south of 15th Street to one hundred twenty-five (125) feet south of 15th Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.”

“Sec. 12-104.5. - Parking in public lots in the downtown area.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle in the following public parking lots for a period in excess of three (3) hours during the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday without having a valid City of Plano issued parking permit prominently displayed in said vehicle:

The public parking lot bounded by the DART light rail line, 14th Street, J Avenue and an east-west line located 392 feet south of the intersection of J Avenue and 14th Street.

The public parking lot bounded by 14th Street, K Avenue, a line running east-west 170 feet south of the centerline of 14th Street and J Place.

The public parking spaces located in the Eastside Village II Development parking garage, located immediately west of Municipal Avenue between 14th Street and 15th Street.

The public parking spaces located in the Eastside Village I Development parking garage located immediately west of K Avenue between 15th Place and 16th Street.

- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle in the following public parking lots for a period in excess of three (3) hours during the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday:

Haggard Park parking lot bounded by 15th Street, H Avenue, 16th Street and the DART light-rail line.

This provision shall not apply to a motor vehicle parked with a valid City of Plano issued parking permit prominently displayed in said vehicle or a motor vehicle parked in a designated handicap parking space when the vehicle displays a valid handicap placard or handicap license plate.

- (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to park a motor vehicle in the public parking lots bounded by 15th Street, K Avenue, 14th Street and the DART rail line for a period in excess of three (3) hours during the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday without having a valid City of Plano issued parking permit prominently displayed in said vehicle, except that when signs are placed giving notice thereto, parking shall be prohibited in certain designated parking spaces between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.”

Section III. The Traffic Engineer of Plano is hereby authorized and directed to cause placement or removal of traffic control signs along the portions of the roadways and parking lots described herein, and such sign shall give notice to all persons of the prohibition against parking in these areas.

Section IV. All provisions of the ordinances of the City of Plano, codified or uncoded, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the Ordinances of the City of Plano, codified or uncoded, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section V. It is the intention of the City Council that this Ordinance, and every provision hereof, shall be considered severable, and the invalidity or unconstitutionality of any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other portion of this Ordinance.

Section VI. Any violation of any provision or term of this ordinance shall be a Class C Misdemeanor offense. Any person, firm, corporation, or association who is adjudged guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor offense under this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$200.00) for each offense. Each and every violation shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

Section VII. The repeal of any Ordinance or part of an Ordinance effectuated by the enactment of this Ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such Ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying, or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, or as affecting any rights of the municipality

under any section or provisions of any Ordinances at the time of passage of this Ordinance.

Section VIII. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage and publication as required by law and after all necessary signs and pavement markings have been installed.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED this the 23rd day of January, 2017.

Harry LaRosiliere, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lisa C. Henderson, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Paige Mims, CITY ATTORNEY