
City Council

Motion without Notice

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Fees for Motorcycle Parking - by Councillor Mike Del Grande, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

** Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.*
** This Motion is subject to referral to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*
** This item has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Del Grande, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam recommends that:

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to report to the February, 2012 meeting of City Council, through the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee on options for the implementation and enforcement of parking charges and fees regarding motorcycles and motor scooters to harmonize them with parking for other motorized vehicles.
2. In preparing the report, the General Manager review the City's pay-and-display areas as well as the number of parking permits currently being exempted to determine the financial impact of the recommended changes to pay parking.

Summary

This Motion seeks authorization to request a staff report with respect to this urgent matter relating to parking charges and fees deemed as a loss in potential revenue for the City.

At the April 19, 2000 meeting of the City's Works Committee, the Committee accepted item Works Committee Report 8, Clause 1, headed "Dedicated Motorcycle Parking on City Streets" with amendment at the May 9, 10 and 11, 2000 meeting of City Council.

Recommendation 2 of that clause included the creation of designated on-street motorcycle parking spaces near pay-and-display machines where possible, and that motorcycles using such dedicated spaces on a temporary basis not be charged any fees for their use.

Additionally, at the September 11, 2006 meeting of the City's Works Committee, the Committee accepted Works Committee Report 6, Clause 19, headed "Exemption from On-Street Parking Permit Fees for Motorized Scooters and Motorcycles" which was adopted during the September 25, 26 and 28, 2006 meeting of City Council.

This second clause recommended that while motorcycles and motor scooters are still required to acquire and display a valid parking permit for long-term on-street parking, that they be exempted from the associated fees.

These systems are unfair to motorists who drive different classes of vehicles other than motorcycles and motor scooters as they currently pay full fees for using parking services of their vehicles. Exempting certain classes of vehicles (such as motorcycles and motor scooters) from being charged the above fees could also be considered a loss in potential revenue for the City.

(Submitted to City Council on November 29 and 30, 2011 as MM14.19)