

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting of March 19, 2019 Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of March 26, 2019

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Ordinance Amendment Definition of Commercial Vehicle and Loading Zone

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending the Corpus Christi Code regarding loading zones, commercial vehicles, passenger loading and unloading, and adjusting a portion of the Corpus Christi International Airport short-term parking rate.

PURPOSE:

This ordinance will revise and amend the definition for commercial vehicle and loading zone.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

In August 2018, the Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) began an initiative to resolve commercial loading zone conflicts in the Downtown Area. During this timeframe, personnel from the Department of Aviation also reached out to Traffic Engineering for assistance with loading zones to address security issues at the airport. The Traffic Engineering Department collaborated with Legal to ensure initiatives from each of these City Departments aligned with City ordinance and any recommended changes to City ordinance were applicable City-wide.

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During these initiatives, it was determined that definition for "commercial vehicle" and "loading zone" required amending. The definition for "commercial vehicle" was recommended to expand the vehicle types and identification methodologies, such as static cling vinyl signs. The term "loading zone" was recommended to be expanded to permit usage for both passenger and commercial vehicles, limit authorization of these zones to the City Manager and City Traffic Engineer, to implement requirements for vacating a loading zone. Previously the ordinance allowed the City Manager to designate any officer or employee of the City to designate a loading zone. Additionally, there were no requirements on the length of time a commercial vehicle must vacate a loading zone.

At the January 28, 2019 meeting, the Transportation Advisory Commission recommended approval of this ordinance amendment to City Council.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not applicable

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This item conforms to the City Charter requirements to amend the Code of Ordinances.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

CCPD, Department of Aviation

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance amendment.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance Amendment Presentation