

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Park Code - Parking Fees]

Ordinance authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking rates at the Kezar Parking Lot, Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility, and Marina Small Craft Harbor in accordance with existing Park Code provisions that authorize SFMTA rate-setting on park property; making conforming edits to the Park Code; increasing parking rates for berth-holders at the Marina Small Craft Harbor; and affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Existing Law

Rates for parking by the general public at the Kezar Parking Lot, Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility, and Marina Small Craft Harbor are set in the Park Code. The Park Code rates are adjusted annually for inflation but are otherwise fixed. Under Park Code Section 6.14, however, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) may take over rate-setting at designated locations on park property, subject to certain approvals by the Board of Supervisors and Recreation and Park Commission, and set rates that are closely comparable to the rates for similarly situated paid parking.

The Park Code also sets parking rates for persons who hold licenses to berth their vessels at the the Marina. Berthholders get two free parking passes with their berthing licenses, and can purchase additional passes for \$156 each.

Amendments to Current Law

The ordinance would allow SFMTA, with Recreation and Park Commission approval, to set new rates for general public parking at the three parking facilities listed above. Once SFMTA sets its rates, the existing Park Code rates would cease to apply. SFMTA could increase or decrease its rates in response to customer demand at particular times or on particular days or dates. The rate-setting is intended to support recreation. Meanwhile, the Park Code rate for berthholders to purchase additional parking passes would increase to \$600.

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