

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Park Code - Parking Fees]

Ordinance authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking rates at the Kezar Parking Lot and Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility 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 and Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility 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, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) may take over setting parking rates 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 vessels at the Marina Small Craft Harbor: 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 parking by the general public at the Kezar Parking Lot and Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility. Once SFMTA sets its rates, the existing Park Code rates at those facilities 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.

Background

This version of the digest reflects amendments to 1) remove the authorization for SFMTA to set a rate for parking by the general public at the Marina Small Craft Harbor; 2) revert to the existing Park Code rates for daily parking, special event parking, and trailer/dingy parking at the Marina (these rates were originally proposed to be deleted); and 3) clarify that the ordinance does not supersede the terms of the lease of the Golden Gate Park Underground Parking Facility to the Music Concourse Community Partnership.