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MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Works Committee & Legal and Finance Committee

FROM: Allison Marsland, Assistant City Attorney *AM*

DATE: December 21, 2011

RE: Parking Ordinance Revisions

Ordinance revisions of Rapid City Municipal Code ("RCMC") Sections 10.44.010, 10.44.050, 10.44.060, and 10.44.070 are before both committees. Pursuant to RCMC 2.28.050, the Public Works Committee has jurisdiction to review, and pursuant to RCMC 2.28.060, all ordinances must be reviewed and approved by the Legal and Finance Committee prior to final passage.

In November of this year, Public Works, at the direction of the Mayor, assembled a group to discuss and address common complaint issues regarding the parking ramp south of the City School Administration Building between Fifth and Sixth Streets. The group consists of the Mayor, along with representatives from Public Works, the City Attorney's Office, the Finance Office, the Police Department, and Parking Enforcement. The ordinance revisions are before you as a result of the efforts of this group.

The four proposed revisions to RCMC Chapter 10.44 would result in the following changes:

1. Removal of the parking ramp from the "leased parking zone" and placement of it in a newly created "Parking Ramp zone," which allows for both leased and metered spaces.
2. Codification of free parking in all spaces in the Parking Ramp zone on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.
3. Authority for a metered parking rate of \$.50 per hour in the Parking Ramp zone.
4. Removal of the "Sixth and Main lot zone," which is now Main Street Square.

It was necessary to make changes to multiple ordinances in order to both remove the "Sixth and Main lot zone," and add a provision for a \$.50 per hour meter.

Additional changes at the ramp that do not require ordinance revision are also being proposed, and those will be addressed in a separate presentation.

ORDINANCE NO. 5786

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PARKING ZONES INCLUDED IN THE
PARKING METER TIME LIMIT ORDINANCE BY AMENDING SECTION
10.44.060 OF THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City has adopted an ordinance establishing the deposit and time limits allowed at parking meters in certain parking zones established in the City of Rapid City;

WHEREAS, the ordinance currently establishes deposit and time limits for parking meters in the Sixth and Main lot zone, delineated as Lots 17 through 23 of Block 75 of the original townsite; and

WHEREAS, the Sixth and Main lot zone is no longer an off-street parking lot, as the Main Street Square Plaza was developed and is being maintained at that location; and

WHEREAS, Lots 1-16, Block 75 of the original townsite, which is generally located just North of the Main Street Square Plaza between Fifth and Sixth Streets, was developed and is being maintained as a parking ramp; and

WHEREAS, the City has established Lots 1-16, Block 75 of the original townsite, as the Parking Ramp zone, enumerated in Section 10.44.010 of the Rapid City Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rapid City finds that it is in the best interests of the City to amend Section 10.44.060 of the Rapid City Municipal Code to repeal the Sixth and Main lot zone deposit and time limits for parking meters, and replace it with Parking Ramp zone deposit and time limits for parking meters.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City that Section 10.44.060 of the Rapid City Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.44.060 Parking meters—Amount of deposit—Time limits.

Parking meters in the city shall be adjusted to show legal parking during the periods established herein. All deposits in parking meters shall be United States coins of \$.05, \$.10 or \$.25 denominations. Except in the Parking Ramp zone, Each each deposit of ± one (1) \$.25 coin will show legal parking for a period of 1 hour. ~~The; the~~ meters shall show either 12 or 15 minutes of legal parking each \$.05 deposit and either 24 or 30 minutes of legal parking for each \$.10 deposit, up to the maximum of allowable parking time for the parking zone in which the meter is located.

A. *Library parking lot zone.* All meters shall show legal parking for a period of 1 hour upon and after the deposit of ~~±~~ one (1) \$.25 coin; additional coins can be added for each additional hour desired. Meters denote maximum time for credited coins.

B. *Four-hour zone.* All meters shall show legal parking for a period of 4 hours upon and after the deposit of ~~4~~ four (4) \$.25 coins.

C. *General zone.* All meters shall show legal parking for a period of either 12 or 15 minutes for each \$.05 deposited, upon and after the time of deposit; some meters allow for depositing coins to obtain a maximum of 10-hours' parking.

D. ~~*Sixth and main lot zone.* Lots 17 through 23 of Block 75 of the Original Townsite.~~ *Parking Ramp zone.* All meters in this zone, as defined in § 10.44.010(G), shall show legal parking for a period of 1 hour upon and after the deposit of ~~±\$.25 coin~~ two (2) \$.25 coins, additional coins can be added for each additional hour desired. The meters in this zone shall show 6 minutes of legal parking for each \$.05 deposit, and 12 minutes of legal parking for each \$.10 deposit. All meters in this zone allow for a maximum of 10-hours' credited time.

E. *Sixth and St. Joseph Street lot zone.* All meters shall show legal parking for a period of 1 hour upon and after the deposit of ~~±~~ one (1) \$.25 coin, additional coins can be added for each additional hour desired. All meters allow for maximum of 10-hours' credited time.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer

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