

ORDINANCE NO. 7,854-N.S.

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW ISSUANCE OF RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMITS FOR VEHICLES WITH OUTSTANDING PARKING TICKETS; AMENDING BERKELEY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 14.72.080

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berkeley as follows:

Section 1. That Berkeley Municipal Code Section 14.72.080 is amended to read as follows:

14.72.080 Issuance of permits.

A. Residential, local business and neighborhood-serving community facility parking permits shall be issued by the Department of Finance in accordance with requirements set forth in this chapter. Each such permit shall be designed to state or reflect thereon the identification of the particular residential, local business or neighborhood-serving community facility permit parking area for which it is issued. No more than one residential or local business parking permit shall be issued to each motor vehicle for which application is made.

B. When issuing local business and neighborhood-serving community facility permits, the Department of Finance in consultation with the traffic engineering division shall issue permits such that they will not unduly be concentrated on a specific block front in any given residential permit parking area.

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1. No permits shall be issued to residents in newly constructed residential units. The Current Planning division shall provide a listing of newly-constructed housing units to the Department of Finance.

2. No permits shall be issued to residents of Group Living Accommodations as defined in Chapter 23F.04 that are approved after January 1, 2012, unless the Zoning Adjustments Board specified otherwise when it approved the GLA. The Current Planning division shall provide a listing of addresses subject to this paragraph to the Department of Finance.

3. In the R-2 and R-2A zoning districts, no permits shall be issued to residents of dwelling units with more than 5 bedrooms to which new bedrooms have been added subsequent to January 1, 2012. The Current Planning division shall provide a listing of addresses subject to this paragraph to the Department of Finance.

4. This subdivision shall not prevent issuance of permits to residents of permitted and legal nonconforming sororities, fraternities and student cooperatives who are not otherwise prohibited from obtaining them.

D. The Department of Finance and the Public Works Transportation Division are authorized to issue such rules and regulations necessary to implement this chapter, and are not inconsistent with it.

E. Parking permits shall not be issued for vehicles for which there is any outstanding City of Berkeley notice of violation of parking rules and restrictions that are unpaid for more than 21 calendar days from the issuance of the parking violation, except for vehicles belonging to individuals eligible for the City's Indigent Payment Plan.

Section 2. Copies of this Ordinance shall be posted for two days prior to adoption in the display case located near the walkway in front of the Maudelle Shirek Building, 2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. Within 15 days of adoption, copies of this Ordinance shall be filed at each branch of the Berkeley Public Library and the title shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation.

At a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Berkeley held on January 31, 2023, this Ordinance was passed to print and ordered published by posting by the following vote:

Ayes: Bartlett, Hahn, Harrison, Humbert, Robinson, Taplin, Wengraf, and Arreguin.

Noes: None.

Abstain: Kesarwani.

Absent: None.