DATE: MAY 4, 2009

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: ORDINANCE TO INCREASE PARKING METER RATES IN PARKING METER ZONE 3

ISSUE: Consideration of a proposed ordinance to increase the parking meter rates to be charged in Parking Meter Zone 3 (map on Attachment 1).

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approve the attached proposed ordinance to increase the parking meter rates in Parking Meter Zone 3 to $1.25 per hour on first reading, and set it for public hearing, second reading and final passage on May 16, 2009.

DISCUSSION: As a part of FY 2009 budget, City Council approved a rate of $1.00 per hour for meters Citywide. This increased the meter rates from $0.75 per hour in Zone 1 (Old Town – east of Washington Street) and from $0.50 per hour in Zone 2 (Old Town – west of Washington Street) to $1.00 per hour, which was the rate established for Parking Meter Zone 3 (Carlyle area) when that zone was created. The FY 2010 budget as adopted by City Council reflected a proposed increase of fees in Parking Meter Zone 3 (Carlyle area) from $1.00 per hour to $1.25 per hour. This ordinance will change the City Code to reflect the rate set forth in the budget.

FISCAL IMPACT: The increase of 25 cents per hour in Parking Meter Zone 3 will generate approximately $54,000 in additional General Fund revenue annually. This additional revenue was included in the FY 2010 budget as adopted.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: Map of Parking Meter Zone 3
Attachment 2: Proposed Ordinance

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Introduction and first reading: 05/12/09
Public hearing: 05/16/09
Second reading and enactment: 05/16/09

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Title

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 5-8-93 (PARKING METERS; HOURS AND DAYS OF OPERATION; MAXIMUM TIME LIMITS; RATES), of Division 1 (PARKING METER ZONES), Article G (PARKING METERS), Chapter 8 (PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

Summary

The proposed ordinance increases the parking meter rate in parking meter zone 3 from $1.00 per hour to $1.25 per hour for on street parking, payable in such increments as provided at the applicable meter or pay station.

Sponsor

Staff

Emily Baker, Acting Director, T&ES
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Authority

§2.03(x), Alexandria City Charter

Estimated Costs of Implementation

None

Attachments in Addition to Proposed Ordinance and its Attachments (if any)

None
ORDINANCE NO. ______

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THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 5-8-93 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 5-8-93 Parking meters; hours and days of operation; maximum time limits; rates.

(a)(1) The parking meters in zones 1 and 2, established by section 5-8-92 of this code, shall be operated every day of the week except Sundays and legal state holidays, and the daily hours of operation of the meters shall be determined by resolution of the city council; provided, that, within the area bounded on the north by the north side of Princess Street, on the west by a line 10 feet to the east of and running parallel to the east side of Washington Street, on the south by the south side of Wolfe Street and on the east by the Potomac River, meters which permit a maximum of two hours of parking shall be in operation from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

(2) The parking meters in zone 3 established by section 5-8-92 of this code shall be operated every day of the week except Saturdays, Sundays and state legal holidays, and the daily hours of operation of the meters shall be determined by resolution of the city council.

(b) The maximum time limit for parking in any space in parking meter zones 1, 2 and 3 shall be set forth on the meter for that space, and shall be 20 minutes, two hours or, in zones 1 and 3 only, four hours.

(c) In parking meter zones 1; and 2 and 3, the rate shall be $1.00 per hour; and in parking meter zone 3, the rate shall be $1.25 per hour. In all parking meter zones, the applicable rate shall be payable in such increments as provided at the applicable meter or pay station.

(d) As used in the is article, the phrase parking meter shall be deemed to include a parking pay station for multiple parking spaces, and all provisions applicable to parking meters shall apply to parking pay stations, mutatis mutandis.
Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE
Mayor

Attachment

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| First Reading: | 5/12/2009 |
| Publication: | |
| Public Hearing: | |
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