

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

AN AMENDMENT TO THE COURTHOUSE FACILITY PARKING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, since 2006, the Cook County Board of Commissioners have discussed the need to have a plan to implement fee-based parking at all Cook County owned parking lots; and

WHEREAS, implementing fee based parking at the Cook County Courthouse Facilities will provide a revenue resource that will not only assist in deficit reduction but will help offset the costs of the parking facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Facilities Management supervises County owned parking lots and is working with the Purchasing and Revenue Departments to implement fee-based parking; and

WHEREAS, fee-based parking should be implemented at the following Cook County Courthouse Facilities: Criminal Courts Complex (26th Street); Bridgeview Courthouse; Skokie Courthouse; Maywood Courthouse; Markham Courthouse and the Rolling Meadows Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, fees should be charged to any individual or employee entering utilizing the Cook County Courthouse Facility parking garages on a daily basis in an amount no less than \$4.75 a day; and

WHEREAS, monthly passes should be made available that could be applied for monthly use at any one of the Cook County Courthouse Facility parking garages for a fee of no less than \$65.00; and

WHEREAS, any individual acting as a juror, law enforcement personnel on official business, a voter participating in an early voting site, or witness under subpoena from the Cook County State's Attorney, or Cook County Public Defender, or Cook County Public Guardian is exempt from having to pay a fee to park in any Cook County Courthouse Facility; and

WHEREAS, parking fees or parking exemptions shall be considered a portion of employee compensation and therefore shall be a mandatory subject of bargaining during the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements for union-represented employees;

WHEREAS, the terms of this resolution shall not be construed to replace or diminish the rights and/or obligations of Cook County, its employees, or labor organizations representing its employees pursuant to the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that the Departments of Facilities Management, Purchasing and Revenue Departments implement fee based parking at the following Cook County Courthouse Facility parking garages: Criminal Courts Complex (26th Street); Bridgeview Courthouse; Skokie Courthouse; Maywood Courthouse; Markham Courthouse and the Rolling Meadows Courthouse; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that the Departments of Facilities Management, Purchasing and Revenue shall work together to implement the fee based parking, and to exempt jurors, law enforcement personnel on official business or witnesses under subpoena from the Cook County State's Attorney, or Cook County Public Defender, or Cook County Public Guardian from having to pay the fee, within 6 months of the effective

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date of this Resolution inclusive of any applicable tax other than parking taxes imposed by Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners that the Departments of Facilities Management, Purchasing and Revenue report back to the Board of Commissioners within 120 days regarding the status of the implementation of fee based parking and exemptions at the Cook County Courthouse Facility parking garages.