

ORDINANCE NO. 5911

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF SANTA BARBARA AMENDING THE  
MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTIONS  
17.36.010, 17.36.020, 17.36.035, 17.36.040,  
17.36.060, AND 17.36.080 PERTAINING TO  
WATERFRONT PARKING

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DOES ORDAIN AS  
FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 17.36.010 of Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa  
Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**17.36.010 Definitions. Parking in Waterfront Parking Lots.**

The following words and phrases shall have the meaning indicated, unless the  
context or usage clearly requires a different meaning:

A. **WATERFRONT PARKING LOTS.** All parking lots managed and maintained  
by the Waterfront Department, including Leadbetter Parking Lot, Harbor West Parking  
Lot, Harbor Parking Lot, Garden Street Parking Lot, Palm Park Parking Lot, Cabrillo West  
Parking Lot, Cabrillo East Parking Lot and Stearns Wharf.

B. **HARBOR PARKING LOT.** The Waterfront Parking Lot bounded on the East  
by West Beach, on the West by Harbor Way, on the North by Shoreline Drive and Cabrillo  
Boulevard and on the South by Marinas 2, 3, 4 and the small-boat launch ramp.

C. **PARKING FEES AND PERMITS.** No person shall park a vehicle in the  
Waterfront Parking Lots without having paid or paying the required parking fee. Parking  
fees and the permit system for Waterfront Parking Lots shall be established by resolution  
of the City Council.

D. **PAY AND DISPLAY PARKING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.** When entering  
Waterfront Parking Lots operated by a Pay and Display Parking Management System,  
the owner or operator of a vehicle entering the lot must purchase a receipt from a Pay  
and Display Parking Management System machine in accordance with instructions and  
requirements posted on the machine. Such receipt shall be prominently displayed on the  
driver's side dashboard in such a manner that the date and expiration time of the receipt  
are readily visible from the exterior of the vehicle. Any owner or operator of a vehicle who  
fails to purchase or properly display a valid receipt purchased from a Pay and Display  
Parking Management System machine shall pay a fee as described by City Council  
resolution.

E. **DUTY AND POWER TO MANAGE.** The Waterfront Director shall have the  
duty and power to manage all uses of Waterfront Parking Lots and may deny issuance of  
parking permits to any person or entity when such permit or permits would unduly interfere  
with coastal access or public parking.

SECTION 2. Section 17.36.020 of Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**17.36.020 Parking for Certain Purposes Prohibited.**

A. **IMPROPER USE OF WATERFRONT LOT.** No person shall park a vehicle in any Waterfront Parking Lot for the principal purpose of displaying such vehicle/vessel for sale, repairing such vehicle/vessel (except repairs necessitated by an emergency and lasting no longer than four (4) consecutive hours), or washing such vehicle/vessel.

B. **INOPERABLE VEHICLES.** No person shall park or permit to remain, any motor vehicle which is wrecked or inoperable in any Waterfront Parking Lot (except while conducting an emergency repair for no longer than four (4) consecutive hours).

C. **NO VEHICLES TO REMAIN IN PARKING LOT PAST TIME OF PARKING LOT CLOSING.** No person shall leave a vehicle in a Waterfront Parking Lot past the posted closing time.

SECTION 3. Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 17.36.035 to read as follows:

**17.36.035 Annual Parking Permits.**

A. **AUTHORITY.** The Waterfront Director may issue non-transferable annual parking permits for Waterfront Parking Lots as provided in this Section.

B. **ELIGIBLE VEHICLES.** Annual parking permits may be issued to passenger vehicles (as defined in California Vehicle Code Section 465 but excluding house cars) or motor trucks (as defined in California Vehicle Code Section 410 but excluding trucks with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of 11,500 pounds or more and an unladen weight of 8,002 pounds or more) which are used by the general public, Waterfront slip permittees, or ocean-dependent commercial fishing businesses upon payment of a fee established by resolution of the City Council.

C. **INELIGIBLE VEHICLES.** Annual parking permits shall not be issued to any vehicle that exceeds one or more of the following size limitations: 22 feet in length, 90 inches in height or 82 inches in width. Annual parking permits shall not be issued to buses, vehicles not licensed for travel on public highways, recreational vehicles, motorhomes or campers. Annual parking permits shall not be issued to vehicles used for commercial purposes unrelated to maritime or ocean uses.

D. **WAIVERS.** The Waterfront Director or his or her designee may grant waivers from the size limitations established by this Section, in the Harbor Parking Main Lot only, when to do so is necessary to promote a commercial, ocean-dependent priority need, including but not limited to commercial fishing operations, lease holders businesses, Business Activity Permit holders businesses, or oil spill response activities. Such waivers may be granted conditionally.

SECTION 4. Section 17.36.040 of Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**17.36.040 72-Hour Vehicle Parking Limit in Parking Lots.**

A. 72-HOUR VEHICLE PARKING LIMIT IN WATERFRONT PARKING LOTS. Except as provided in Subsection B below, no person who owns, or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park, stop or leave the vehicle in the same parking space in any of the Waterfront Parking Lots in excess of a period of seventy-two (72) consecutive hours.

B. 72-HOUR VEHICLE PARKING LIMIT IN HARBOR PARKING LOT. No person who owns, or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park, stop or leave the vehicle in the Harbor Parking Lot in excess of a period of seventy-two (72) consecutive hours, except persons with valid permits or prepaid permits as established by City Council resolution, under the following circumstances:

1. Currently registered and fully operational vehicles owned by harbor slip permittees who have been issued a valid Waterfront slip-permittee parking permit may park for no more than thirty (30) consecutive days in the Harbor Parking Lot without exiting the vehicle from the Harbor Parking Lot at least once for a period of no less than ninety-six (96) consecutive hours. On or before the thirtieth (30th) day, all such vehicles must exit the Harbor Parking Lot for a period of no less than ninety-six (96) consecutive hours. The Waterfront Director may issue exceptions to the exiting requirement when necessary to support maritime activities. Such exceptions may be issued conditionally.

2. The Waterfront Director or his or her designee may permit a person to park a vehicle in the Harbor Parking Lot over the 72-hour limit for maritime reasons. The vehicle owner must register with the Waterfront Parking Office and obtain and display in the vehicle written evidence of permission prior to leaving the vehicle in the Harbor Parking Lot.

SECTION 5. Section 17.36.060 of Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**17.36.060 Oversized Vehicles in Harbor Parking Lot.**

All vehicles over 22 feet in length are prohibited from parking in the Harbor Parking Lot, except those vehicles exempted by resolution of the City Council.

SECTION 6. Section 17.36.080 of Chapter 17.36 of Title 17 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**17.36.080 Oversized Vehicles in Designated Waterfront Parking Lots.**

The Waterfront Director shall designate parking spaces in Waterfront Parking Lots, including a limited number of oversize parking spaces, by signs, pavement stripes or other means of designation.

A. PARKING IN DESIGNATED PARKING STALLS ONLY. No vehicle shall be stopped, left standing or parked in any Waterfront Parking Lot, other than within a single marked stall designated for that size of vehicle.

B. PARKING IN MARKED STALLS ONLY. No vehicle shall be stopped, left standing or parked in any Waterfront Parking Lot, at angles, horizontally, diagonally or otherwise across the lines marking a parking stall designated for parking a vehicle.

C. NO PARKING IN OVERSIZED STALLS. No vehicle that is less than 22 feet in length shall be stopped, left standing or parked in any Waterfront Parking Lot within a parking stall designated for an oversize vehicle.

D. NO PARKING OF OVERSIZED VEHICLES IN PASSENGER VEHICLE STALLS. No vehicle that is over 22 feet in length shall be stopped, left standing or parked in any Waterfront Parking Lot, within a parking stall designated for passenger vehicles of ordinary length (less than 22 feet).

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA                    )  
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA         ) ss.  
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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA                )

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was introduced on October 8, 2019, and was adopted by the Council of the City of Santa Barbara at a meeting held on October 15, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

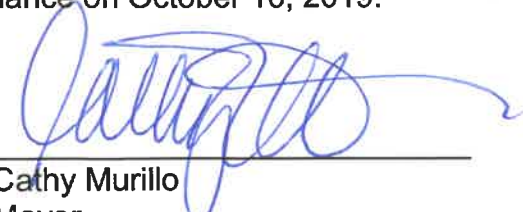
- AYES:                    Councilmembers Eric Friedman, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Kristen W. Sneddon; Mayor Cathy Murillo
- NOES:                   Councilmember Jason Dominguez
- ABSENT:                None
- ABSTENTIONS:        Councilmember Randy Rowse

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Santa Barbara on October 16, 2019.

  
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Sarah P. Gorman, CMC  
City Clerk Services Manager



I HEREBY APPROVE the foregoing ordinance on October 16, 2019.

  
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Cathy Murillo  
Mayor