

SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

ORDINANCE 2774

ORDINANCE AMENDING SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT CODE SECTION 8.21 FOR THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR TUNA HARBOR PUBLIC PARKING LOT TO EXPAND PILOT PROGRAM AREA TO INCLUDE NORTH EMBARCADERO AND RUOCCO PARK PUBLIC PARKING LOTS

WHEREAS, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix I (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, Section 21 of the Port Act authorizes the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) to pass all necessary ordinances and resolutions for the regulation of the District; and

WHEREAS, Section 36 of the Port Act requires the BPC by ordinance to set parking rates for District owned public facilities; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2014, the BPC approved the Parking Meter Pilot Program (Pilot Program) in Tuna Harbor to modify the parking meter rates, hours and days of enforcement; and

WHEREAS, despite significant increases in demand, public parking meter rates, hours of enforcement and days of operation on Tidelands in certain locations have remained unchanged; and

WHEREAS, since the County Administration's waterfront park opened on May 10, 2014, parking at the District's meters along Harbor Drive between B Street and Grape Street (North Embarcadero) has been highly impacted and turnover on Sundays is very low and the Pilot Program in Tuna Harbor has increased demand for the meters along Ruocco Park near Seaport Village and the Headquarters creating low turnover on Sundays and evenings after 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Tidelands public parking meter rates, hours of enforcement and days of operation have been unchanged in these areas since 2006, despite significant increases in demand in the North Embarcadero, Ruocco Park and Seaport Village areas; and

WHEREAS, staff conducted an extensive review of the District's parking meter assets on Tidelands and reached out to adjacent jurisdictions on best practices, as well as District stakeholders, tenants and the general public for the initial Pilot Program; and

WHEREAS, with the opening of the County's waterfront park and the impending opening of the North Embarcadero Visionary Plan Phase 1 (NEVP), staff recommended an amendment to the Pilot Program to expand it to the North Embarcadero and Ruocco Park areas and staff discussed the proposed modifications with the San Diego Port Tenants' Association (SDPTA) and other stakeholders and they indicated support of this proposed amendment to the Pilot Program; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing regarding the amendment of the parking pilot program was held on August 12, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District does ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 8.21 to Article 8 of the San Diego Unified Port District Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 8.21 - PARKING PILOT PROGRAM FOR TUNA HARBOR PUBLIC PARKING LOT, NORTH EMBARCADERO PUBLIC PARKING LOT AND RUOCCO PARK PUBLIC PARKING LOTS

Tuna Harbor is located in the City of San Diego in the public area bayward of North Harbor Drive, bordered on the north by the roadway parallel to the USS Midway Museum, on the south by the grassy area at the north end of Ruocco Park, and on the west by the waterline and the Fish Market Restaurant, including the area north of "G" Street between the waterline and the northern curb line of the parking lot.

North Embarcadero is located in the City of San Diego in the public area bayward of North Harbor Drive, bordered on the north by Grape Street, on the south by B Street Cruise Terminal, and on the west by the San Diego Bay.

Ruocco Park Public Parking is located in the crescent lot along west side Harbor Drive directly south of the exit of Tuna Lane, along the west side of Pacific Highway bordered by North Harbor Drive to the north and Ruocco Park to the west and the lot between Chesapeake Fish Company to the north, Seaport Village to the south and Tuna Harbor to the west.

The Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District has authorized a Parking Pilot Program for the Tuna Harbor Public Parking Lot, North Embarcadero Public Parking Lot and Ruocco Park Public Parking Lots meters. There are currently 186 public meters at Tuna Harbor, 177 meters at North Embarcadero and 107 meters at Ruocco Park lots. Modifications will be made to the meters for the Pilot Program that will affect the rate, days and hours of enforcement for the meters in Tuna Harbor, North Embarcadero, and Ruocco Park lots only. The Pilot Program may last at a minimum of six months. The purpose of the Pilot Program is to gather data such as demand and parking space turnover for public parking at Tuna Harbor, North Embarcadero and Ruocco Park public parking lots.

The Parking Pilot Program for the Tuna Harbor Public Parking Lot, North Embarcadero Public Parking Lot and Ruocco Park Public Parking Lots shall set the meter rate at \$1.75 per hour and said meters shall be operated Monday through Sunday. The hours of meter enforcement shall be from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily. Meters will not be enforced on the following observed holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Section 2. This Ordinance, the amendments to the Parking Pilot Program and said rates herein shall take effect on the 31st day from its passage by the Board of Port Commissioners and said rates shall be posted. Upon said rates becoming effective, Ordinance No. 2391 shall not apply to the Tuna Harbor Public Parking Lot, North Embarcadero Public Parking Lot and Ruocco Park Public Parking Lots through the duration of the Parking Pilot Program.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:
GENERAL COUNSEL



By: Assistant/Deputy

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 12th day of August 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Bonelli, Castellanos, Moore, Nelson, and Valderrama.

NAYS: None.

EXCUSED: Malcolm, Merrifield.

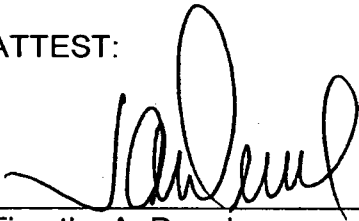
ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.



Robert E. Nelson, Chairman
Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:



Timothy A. Deuel
District Clerk

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