

Ordinance No. 676

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter XI of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, by adding a new article thereto numbered Article III, which said Chapter XI relates to traffic, and which said new Article III relates to establishing parking lots and regulating parking meters and parking lots for off street parking space, and fixes penalties for violations.

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the council it is necessary to relieve congestion in the use of the streets and to reduce hazards incident to such use by establishing parking lots and regulating same, now therefore

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

1. That Chapter XI of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia enacted as a whole July 2, 1940 and made effective August 5, 1940, be and the same hereby is amended by adding a new article thereto, numbered Article III to read as follows:

ARTICLE III. PARKING LOTS AND PARKING METERS.

Sec. 54 "VEHICLE" defined.

The word "vehicle" as used in this section shall mean passenger automobiles only.

Sec. 55 Metered Parking Lots Established.

The following described property in the City of Alexandria is hereby declared to be metered parking lots for the purpose of providing off street parking for passenger vehicles only.

"All that parcel of land in the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia, known as a lot in the rear of premises No. 508-510 King Street, more particularly described as follow, to-wit: BEGINNING at a point, said point being the intersection of the rear side of a shed and the westerly side of building at the southwesterly corner of King and Pitt Streets; thence along the rear side of the shed and continuing across the rear of the Duffey property, N. 80° 30' W. 36.50 feet to a point on a building; thence along said building S. 09° 30' W. 18.60 feet; thence No. 80° 30' W. 1.75 feet to a point; thence S. 09° 30' W. 68.30 feet to a point, the easterly line of a 10 foot alley; thence running along the easterly line of said alley, S. 80° 30' E. 38.25 feet to a point; thence N. 09° 30' E. 86.90 feet to the point of beginning and containing 3291 square feet."

"All that parcel of land in the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia, on the West side of the 100 block South Pitt Street, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a point, said point being S. 09° 30' W. 151.30 feet from the southwesterly corner of the intersection of King Street and Pitt Street; thence along the westerly line of Pitt Street S. 09° 30' W. 80.13 ft. to a point on a corner of a building; thence leaving Pitt Street and running along the side of the building N. 80° 30' W. 44.00 feet to a point on a corner of the building; thence along the side of the building, S. 09° 30' W. 14.4 feet to a point on a fence; thence running along the fence N. 80° 30' W. 75.10 feet to a point on the easterly line of an alley; thence along the easterly line of the alley, N. 09° 30' E. 66.75 feet to a point; thence S. 80° 30' E. along the southerly line of a 10

foot alley 58.40 feet to a point; thence N. 09° 30' E. 27.80 feet to a point; thence S. 80° 30' E. 60.70 feet to the point of beginning and containing 9004 square feet."

Sec. 56. Authority and Duties of the City Manager.

The City Manager shall provide for the installation, regulation, control, operation and use of the parking meters in metered parking lots established pursuant to this article, and to maintain said meters in good working condition.

Sec. 57. Installation and Operation.

Parking meters installed in metered parking lots shall be placed adjacent to the individual parking places hereinafter described. Each parking meter shall be placed or set in such manner as to show or display by signal that the parking space adjacent to such meter is or is not legally in use. Each parking meter shall be set to display upon deposit of proper coin or coins of the United States therein, a signal indicating legal parking for the period of time conforming to the limit of parking time which has been or may be established for the parking lot upon which said parking meter is installed, and shall continue to operate from the time of the deposit of such coin or coins therein until the expiration of the time fixed as a parking limit for the part of the parking lot which said parking meter is placed. Each parking meter installed shall indicate by proper legend the legal parking time established by the City, and when operated shall indicate on, or by its dial and pointer, duration of the period of legal parking, and on expiration of such period shall indicate illegal or overtime parking.

Sec. 58. Designation of Parking Spaces: Parking Across Lines.

The City Manager is hereby further directed to have lines or markings painted or placed on the parking lot adjacent to each parking meter for the purpose of designating the parking space for which said meter is to be used, and each vehicle parked along side of, or next to any parking meter shall park within the lines or markings so established. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section to park any vehicle across any such line or marking, or to park said vehicle in such position that the same shall not be entirely within the areas so designated by such lines or markings, and it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in any place in the said parking lot except within the spaces indicated for such parking.

Sec 59. How Meter and Space to be Used; Time Limit; Parking Overtime.

When any vehicle shall be parked in any space alongside of or next to which a parking meter is located, in accordance with the provisions of this section, the operator of such vehicle shall, upon entering the said parking space, immediately deposit or cause to be deposited, a five cent coin of the United States in such parking meter and the said parking space may then be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of one hour. The operator of said vehicle may deposit two five-cent coins of the United States in such parking meter, and said parking space may then be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during a period of two hours. The operator may deposit three five-cent coins of the United States

in such parking meter, and the said parking space may then be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during a period of three hours. The operator of such vehicle may deposit four five-cent coins of the United States in such parking meter, and the said parking space may then be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of four hours. The operator of such vehicle may deposit five-cent coins of the United States or one twenty-five cent coin of the United States in such parking meter, and the said parking space may then be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of five hours. The amount of money required to be deposited and the time allowed for parking as hereinabove prescribed shall be the period of parking time allowed on said parking lot. If said vehicle shall remain parked in such parking space beyond the parking time fixed by such parking space, the parking meter shall display a sign or signal showing illegal parking, and in which event, the vehicle parked in said parking space shall be considered as parked overtime and beyond the period of legal parking time, and the parking of a vehicle overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time in such parking space shall be a violation of this section and punished as hereinafter set out.

Sec. 60. Permitting a Vehicle to Remain Parked Overtime.

It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in the name of such person to be parked overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time established for any metered parking lot as herein described.

Sec. 61. Permitting a Vehicle to Remain Parked Overtime—Signal Indicators.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section for any person to permit any vehicle to remain or be placed in any parking space adjacent to any parking meter which said meter is displaying a signal indicating that the vehicle occupying such parking space has already been parked beyond the period of time prescribed for such parking space.

Sec. 62. Use of Slugs, etc.

It shall be unlawful to deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter on any parking lot any slug, device, or metallic substitute for a five-cent coin or twenty-five cent coin of the United States.

Sec. 63. Injuring or Tampering with Meters.

It shall be unlawful for any person to deface, injure, tamper with, open or willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter installed under the provisions of this section.

Sec. 64. Deposits Levied as Fees.

The five-cent coins and twenty-five coins required to be deposited in parking meters as provided herein are hereby levied and assessed as fees to provide for the proper regulation and control of traffic upon the public streets and to cover the cost of the supervision, inspection, installation, operation, maintenance, control

and use of the parkings spaces and regulating the parking of vehicles in the parking lots hereby created.

Sec. 65. Hours and Days Applicable.

The provisions of this article shall apply to parking from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. of each and every day, except Sundays and Holidays.

Sec. 66. Effect on other Ordinances or Sections.

Nothing in this article shall alter or affect any existing ordinance, section of the Code, rule or regulation.

Sec. 67. Parking Private Passenger Automobiles only.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this article for any vehicle other than a private passenger automobile to be parked or placed or in any parking space on a metered parking lot as provided in this article.

Sec. 68. Penalty.

a. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate, permit, suffer or allow anyone to violate any of the provisions of this article shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$10.00.

b. Any person who shall deface, injure, tamper with, or willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter installed under the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$100.00

Sec. 69. Responsibility for Violations.

The owner of any vehicle parked in violation of this article shall be prima facie guilty of such violation.

2. That this ordinance shall be published in the Alexandria Gazette not later than two days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

Franklin P. Backus
Mayor

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