

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2023 SERIES)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING ONE HOUR OF FREE PARKING FOR ALL USERS OF THE CITY'S PARKING STRUCTURES

WHEREAS, the Circulation Element of the General Plan states the City shall maintain and regularly update the Access and Parking Management Plan including parking demand reduction strategies and emerging best practices; and

WHEREAS, parking plays a critical role in the fiscal health and customer satisfaction of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2022, Council adopted rate increases to address revenue enhancement strategies associated with the Parking Fund, and approved elimination of the first hour parking subsidy at public structures, effective July 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Access and Parking Management Plan was updated and adopted on February 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2023, Council instructed staff to return with a details for the Park Local Pilot Program, which would preserve the first hour free in the parking structure or similar benefit in the parking structures that supports downtown vitality while allowing the Parking Fund to meet current and future debt obligations; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2023 Council adopted a resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to establish a Park Local Pilot Program; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2023 the Park Local Pilot Program was implemented in the 842 Palm Street structure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of San Luis Obispo as follows:

SECTION 1. Resolution 11410 (2023 Series) is hereby rescinded.

SECTION 2. Findings. The Council, after review and consideration of the Park Local Pilot Program, public testimony, and staff presentation; makes the following findings:

- a) Reinstating one hour of free parking for all structure users would be of greater benefit to downtown businesses, employees, and the local community than the Park Local Pilot Program.
- b) The benefit of the one hour of free parking shall be offered at all three of the existing City parking structures and will include the City's fourth parking structure, once constructed.

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SECTION 3. Environmental Review. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) does not apply to the recommended action in this report because the recommended action does not constitute a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15378. The adoption of the Park Local Pilot Program is an administrative activity of a government agency that will not result in direct or indirect physical impact on the environment.

Upon motion of Council Member _____, seconded by Council Member _____, and on the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution was adopted this _____ day of _____ 2023.

Mayor Erica A. Stewart

ATTEST:

Teresa Purrington
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

J. Christine Dietrick
City Attorney

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, on _____.

Teresa Purrington
City Clerk

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