

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 6918

AN ORDINANCE amending Chapters 11.23 and 11.80 of the Bellevue City Code; amending Sections 11.23.010, 11.23.022, and 11.80.020; creating new Sections 11.23.011, 11.23.012, 11.23.013, 11.23.014, 11.23.023, 11.23.050; repealing conflicting uncodified ordinances; establishing a curb pricing zone and a range of curb pricing rates; delegating authority to implement and administer this Ordinance; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date.

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Bellevue City Council adopted Comprehensive Plan Amendments to provide policy guidance for curb management and curb pricing; and

WHEREAS, in 2023, the Bellevue City Council adopted the Curb Management Plan to provide long-range guidance on how to best manage, operate, and design curbside areas within the City's Urban Core neighborhoods of Downtown, Wilburton, BelRed, and East Main; and

WHEREAS, Curb Practice ST.1 within the Curb Management Plan advises the city to "Perform an implementation study for a paid parking program and update on-street parking procedures"; and

WHEREAS, Policy TR-34 of Bellevue's Comprehensive Plan states "Consider implementation of a pay-for curb use program"; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Bellevue Transportation Commission began work on the Curb Pricing Study to explore the feasibility of implementing paid on-street parking within the Urban Core neighborhoods of Bellevue; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, the Bellevue Curb Pricing Implementation Strategy was published indicating a recommendation to implement paid on-street parking within the designated study area of the Curb Pricing Study; and

WHEREAS, actively managing curbside spaces and applying pricing for uses such as on-street parking is proven to be a nationwide best practice for traffic safety, congestion mitigation, and parking demand balancing; and

WHEREAS, the Bellevue City Council has authority to establish parking regulations in accordance with Chapter 46.61 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 308-330; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, the Bellevue City Council initiated a work program to develop a draft ordinance and code language to advance a curb pricing program in Bellevue, and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue has complied with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act, chapter 43.21C RCW, and the City Environmental Procedures Code, chapter 22.02 of the Bellevue City Code (BCC); and now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This Ordinance establishes parking regulations consistent with [RCW 46.61.570](#) and amends chapters 11.23 and 11.80 BCC.

Section 2. Section 11.23.010 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.010 Residential permit parking zones.

The city council may by ordinance establish residential permit parking zones which restrict parking on specified streets except by permits issued to area residents. Such zones allow for time-limited parking or time of day restrictions for vehicles without a permit.

Section 3. A new Section 11.23.011 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.011 Curb Pricing Zones and implementation of curb pricing.

- A. The City Council may establish, modify, or dissolve Curb Pricing Zones where the city may implement curb pricing, which is defined as charging a fee for on-street parking, standing, or loading of a vehicle at the curb or edge of the roadway along public right-of-way.
- B. Within the City Council adopted Curb Pricing Zone(s), the city may establish curb pricing. Prior to establishing curb pricing rates in a particular area, the city must notify adjacent property owners, residents, and businesses.

Section 4. A new Section 11.23.012 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.012 Curb pricing authority and rates.

- A. The City Council may establish a range of rates that the city may charge for on-street parking, standing, or loading of vehicles within the Curb Pricing Zone. From time to time, the City Council may modify the allowed rates.

- B. For on-street paid parking, standing, or loading, the minimum hourly rate shall be \$1.00 and the maximum hourly rate shall be \$8.00.
- C. For parking device removal and reinstallation due to construction, project owners shall remove and replace devices to the city's satisfaction, or the city shall charge a fee per station approximating the actual associated costs.
- D. The Director of Transportation or designee is hereby authorized:
 - 1. To establish rates for on-street parking, standing, or loading in a curb pricing schedule consistent with the limits set by the City Council with a target occupancy rate of 80 percent where curb pricing is implemented; and
 - 2. To establish rates that vary based on the time of day, the day of the week, the type of curb use, and any other factors deemed relevant by the Director of Transportation to effectively manage demand at the curb.
 - 3. To raise or lower rates, no more than twice a year, based on measured parking occupancy and curb use data; and
 - 4. To make recommendations to the City Council for updates to the limits set forth in Section 11.23(B) as needed.

Section 5. A new Section 11.23.013 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.013 Notice of curb pricing rates and payment collection.

- A. In areas where payment is required to park, stand, or load vehicles, appropriate signs shall be posted at intervals reasonably spaced in order to provide notice that payment is required.
- B. The city shall collect curb pricing fees through a payment collection system(s), such as parking pay stations, parking payment mobile applications, or any similar technology. The payment collection system signage or stations shall be clearly marked and spaced at reasonable intervals. The payment collection system will disclose the rate, time limits, and days and hours of enforcement. Payment collection systems may require users to input information, such as a parking stall number or license plate number, and provide evidence of payment, such as displaying receipt of payment on dashboard.
- C. The city shall maintain a website identifying the following information (1) the current Curb Pricing Zones established by the City Council; (2) the areas in which payment is required, and (3) the effective rates by location.
- D. The city will publicize on a city website anticipated changes to curb pricing rates prior to adjustment.

Section 6. A new Section 11.23.014 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.014 Use of curb pricing-related revenue.

Curb pricing revenue includes the proceeds from (1) parking or curb use payments; and (2) fines collected as a result of any parking-related infractions issued in the Curb Pricing Zone. Curb pricing revenue will fund eligible expenses related to the installation, maintenance, management, and enforcement of the curb pricing program. Remaining curb pricing revenue beyond the cost of administering the curb pricing program shall be reinvested in the Curb Pricing Zone to support eligible activities such as parking studies, traffic safety improvements, street activation, investment concepts identified within the Curb Management Plan, and investments that support access and ridership for transit and microtransit services.

Section 7. Section 11.23.015 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.015 Traffic engineer - Authority.

A. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to exercise the powers and duties of Traffic Engineer as authorized pursuant to Chapter 308-330 WAC, the Model Traffic Ordinance, as now or hereafter amended.

B. WAC 308-330-265(13) of the Model Traffic Ordinance is modified to read as follows:

The City Manager or their designee is authorized to determine and designate by proper traffic control signs zones for no parking, stopping, or standing of vehicles where the primary basis of such zone is safety or spillover parking concerns.

C. WAC 308-330-265(15) of the Model Traffic Ordinance is modified to read as follows:

The City Manager or their designee is authorized to establish, modify, or remove transit layover zones, private shuttle zones, bus stops, taxicab stands, and stands for other for-hire vehicles on such highways in such places and in such number as they shall determine to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public. Every such zone, stop, or stand shall be designated by appropriate signs or by curb markings supplemented with the appropriate words stenciled on the curb;

D. In addition to the powers and duties authorized pursuant to Chapter 308-330 WAC, the City Manager or their designee may:

1. Establish, modify, or remove no parking zones, time-limited parking zones, and curb pricing within the Curb Pricing Zone along public right-of-way. In such areas, the city shall place and maintain appropriate

- signs or curb markings supplemented with the appropriate words stenciled on the curb; and
2. Determine the location of and install or remove payment collection systems or devices and micromobility parking corrals within public right of way.

Section 8. Section 11.23.020 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.020 Parking over 24 hours prohibited.

Unless otherwise posted by official signs, no person may park or re-park a vehicle on either side of a public street within the same block for a period exceeding 24 consecutive hours. A vehicle shall be deemed to be parked in violation of this section unless the vehicle is moved to a different block every 24 hours. For purposes of this chapter, a block is defined as the stretch of roadway between the two closest public street intersections on either end of the stretch. For cases where a roadway ends, a block is defined as the stretch of roadway between the end of the roadway and the closest public street intersection.

Section 9. Section 11.23.022 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.022 Time limit zone violations.

No person having control over a vehicle may park or stand such vehicle beyond the time limit permitted by official signs.

Where a time limit is established by official signs, but no payment is required, no person having control over a vehicle may repark that vehicle on either side of the same street in order to extend the vehicle's parking time beyond the time limits established. For purposes of this section, a vehicle shall be deemed to be reparked and in violation of this section despite any movement of the vehicle unless the vehicle is moved to a street with a different street name than the street the vehicle was originally parked upon.

Section 10. A new Section 11.23.023 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.023 Curb Pricing Zone violations.

- A. Where official signs establish curb pricing, no person having control over a vehicle shall park, stand, or load a vehicle:
 1. Without proper payment. Proper payment includes, remitting the appropriate amount, correctly inputting any required information, and providing any required evidence of payment, as directed by the payment collection system.

2. After the period for which payment was made has expired, unless additional payment is properly made; provided, however, that no person shall park, stand, or load a vehicle for longer than allowed by posted time restrictions.
 3. On a block, or portion thereof, for a consecutive time period longer than the limited time period for which parking is lawfully permitted on the block as indicated on the payment collection system, regardless of the amount paid.
- B. Parking, standing, or loading a vehicle beyond a time restriction or failing to make proper payment when required, is a violation under this section and subject to the penalties set forth in Section 11.23.040.
- C. The prohibitions in subsection A of this section shall not apply to:
1. The act of parking,
 2. The act of paying for parking through a payment collection system, or
 3. The act of expeditious loading or unloading of persons.

Section 11. Section 11.23.026 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.026 For hire vehicle stopping, standing, parking.

The operator of a for hire vehicle shall not stop, stand, or park such vehicle upon any street at any place other than in a designated taxicab stand or loading zone. This provision shall not prevent the operator of a for hire vehicle from temporarily stopping in accordance with other stopping, standing, and parking regulations at any place for the purpose of and while actually engaged in the expeditious loading and unloading of passengers. This provision does not apply to vehicles or companies that have leases or other such agreements with the city for use of its rights-of-way.

Section 12. Section 11.49.080 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.23.040 Penalties.

Failure to comply with any parking restriction adopted pursuant to BCC 11.23.007, 11.23.010, 11.23.015, 11.23.020, 11.23.022, 11.23.023, 11.23.025, 11.23.026, 11.23.027, 11.23.028, 11.23.029, 11.23.035 or any other provision of this chapter is a parking infraction and shall be cited under the applicable section of this chapter.

- A. Violators are required to respond within 30 days of the date of the issuance of the notice of infraction, or if the notice is mailed, within 33 days, by:
1. Paying a penalty in the amount set forth in subsection C of this section for each infraction cited on the infraction notice; or
 2. Requesting a hearing in the manner described in the notice of infraction.

- B. Failure to respond to an infraction notice within 30 days of the date of the infraction, or 33 days if the notice was mailed, may result in:
1. An additional monetary penalty of \$25.00 imposed as a default penalty for each parking infraction cited on the notice; and
 2. The loss of the right to a hearing on the parking infraction and the determination shall be final; and
 3. Consistent with applicable state law, the Department of Licensing may place a hold on the renewal of the vehicle registration for the vehicle involved in the violation, and
 4. Referral of the case to a collection agency.
- C. The amount of the penalty for all parking infractions shall be kept in a table available to the public by the director of the transportation department, or their designee. The penalties in this table shall be updated per subsection D of this section.
- D. The penalties established in subsection C of this section shall be established on May 1, 2016. Penalties in subsection C of this section shall next be adjusted on January 1, 2018, by multiplying the penalty amount then in effect times one plus the Consumer Price Index for all urban customers (Seattle-Everett area) for 2016, then taking the resultant amount (not rounded) and multiplying it by one plus the Consumer Price Index for all urban customers (Seattle-Everett area) for 2017 and rounding the result to the nearest dollar.
- Penalties in subsection C of this section shall next be adjusted on January 1, 2020, and on each succeeding January 1st of even-numbered years thereafter by multiplying the penalty amount then in effect times one plus the Consumer Price Index for all urban customers (Seattle-Everett area) for the even number year two years proceeding, then taking the resultant amount (not rounded) and multiplying it by one plus the Consumer Price Index for all urban customers (Seattle-Everett area) for the odd-numbered year proceeding, and rounding the result to the nearest dollar; provided, that the maximum penalty amount shall not exceed the penalty limit set forth in any applicable state law or court rules.
- E. The inflation adjustment outlined in subsection D of this section may be suspended by the city manager based on their discretion for special circumstances such as poor economic conditions or other unforeseen events.
- F. The penalty for illegal sale or production of RPZ permit per BCC 11.23.029 shall be \$250.00 and shall not be adjusted per subsection D of this section.

Section 13. A new Section 11.23.050 of the Bellevue City Code is created to read as follows:

11.23.050 Severability.

If any one or more sections, subsections or sentences of this chapter are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this chapter and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 14. Section 11.80.020 of the Bellevue City Code is amended to read as follows:

11.80.020 Sections deleted.

The following sections or portions of sections of the Model Traffic Ordinance are not adopted by reference and are expressly deleted:

- WAC 308-330-142
- WAC 308-330-145
- WAC 308-330-148
- WAC 308-330-172
- WAC 308-330-225
- WAC 308-330-250
- WAC 308-330-255
- WAC 308-330-270(5)
- WAC 308-330-400
- WAC 308-330-469
- WAC 308-330-472
- WAC 308-330-500
- WAC 308-330-505
- WAC 308-330-510
- WAC 308-330-515
- WAC 308-330-520
- WAC 308-330-525
- WAC 308-330-530
- WAC 308-330-535
- WAC 308-330-540
- WAC 308-330-555
- WAC 308-330-560
- WAC 308-330-600
- WAC 308-330-610
- WAC 308-330-620
- WAC 308-330-630
- WAC 308-330-640
- WAC 308-330-650
- WAC 308-330-660
- WAC 308-330-710

Section 15. The following ordinances regulating parking within the City of Bellevue, to the extent the ordinances remain in effect, are hereby repealed:

Ordinance No. 3479, adopted 1985, relating to the parking of vehicles and the restricting of parking thereof on both sides of SE 37th Street from 150th Avenue SE to 156th Avenue SE.

Ordinance No. 4676, adopted 1994, relating to the parking of vehicles, providing for "Two Hour Parking" on the east side of 101 st Avenue SE from SE 3rd Street to Meydenbauer Way.

Ordinance No. 4958, adopted 1996, providing for parking restrictions on both sides of 139th Avenue SE between SE Eastgate Way and Kamber Road.

Ordinance No. 5008, adopted 1997, relating to the parking of vehicles, providing for "Two Hour Parking 7 am - 6 pm Except Sundays and Holidays" on the west side of 101 st Avenue SE from SE 3rd Street to Meydenbauer Way.

Ordinance No. 5039, adopted 1997, providing for "No Parking Anytime" on the west side of 106th Avenue NE between Main Street and NE 2nd Street, Adding two hour parking on west and east side of 106th between Main and NE 2nd.

Ordinance No. 5105, adopted 1998, providing for "Two Hour Parking From 7 a.m. To 6 p.m. Except Sundays And Holidays" on both sides of 109th Avenue NE between NE 9th Street and NE 10th Street Two hour parking on both sides of 109th between NE 9th and NE 10th.

Ordinance No. 5252, adopted 2000, relating to the parking of vehicles, restricting parking on the north side of SE 37th Street from 156th Avenue SE eastward 400 feet to the end of City right-of-way to "No Parking 11 p.m. to 6 a.m." and further restricting parking on the south side of SE 37th Street from 156th Avenue SE eastward 400 feet to the end of City right-of-way to "No Parking Anytime."

Ordinance No. 5272, adopted 2001, establishing parking restrictions in the Downtown area of the City and certain other areas of the City.

Ordinance No. 5314, adopted 2001, providing for interim on-street vehicle parking along both sides of 110th Avenue N.E. in the Downtown Area of the City, until December 31, 2005.

Ordinance No. 5840, adopted 2008, establishing parking restrictions in the Downtown area and certain other areas of the City by restricting parking on the east side of 108th Avenue NE between NE 10th Street and NE 12th Street, and limiting parking to only the west side of 108th Avenue NE between NE 10th Street and NE 12th Street.

Ordinance No. 6164, adopted 2014, restricting parking to two hours during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except Sundays and holidays on the eastside of 100th Ave NE from Main Street to NE 4th Street, in an area where parking was previously allowed only on weekends.

Ordinance No. 6324, adopted 2016, establishing parking restrictions in the Spring District area of the City.

Ordinance No. 6374, adopted 2017, amending Ordinance No. 5272, which established parking restrictions in the downtown area and certain other areas of the City, to establish time restricted parking on the east side of 111th Avenue NE between NE 4th Street and NE 2nd Street.

Ordinance No. 6652, adopted 2022, amending Ordinance No. 5272, which established parking restrictions in the downtown area in addition to other areas of the City, to establish time restricted parking on the east side of 105th Avenue SE adjacent to parcel 10505 Main Street.

Section 16. The following ordinance regulating parking within the City of Bellevue is hereby repealed in part:

Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Ordinance No. 4927, adopted 1996 and establishing parking restrictions in the Downtown area of the City and in certain other areas of the City, are repealed. Section 7 of Ordinance 4927 remains in effect.

Section 17. It is the intent of this Ordinance to repeal all ordinances that implemented time-limited, time of day, or no parking restrictions in order to remove potential conflicts with the implementation and administration of this Ordinance. Any such ordinance that was not explicitly repealed is hereby repealed to the extent such ordinance conflicts with this Ordinance; provided however, no codified ordinance shall be repealed by this section.

Section 18. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to establish time limited, time of day, or no parking restrictions as provided for in section 7(D)(1) of this Ordinance to address traffic conditions, spillover parking, safety issues, or to manage demand at the curb. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to interpret the provisions of this Ordinance and may issue rules, policies, and procedures for its administration consistent with this enactment.

Section 19. The Curb Pricing Zone map, marked as Attachment B for Study Session Item 26-306 in the April 28, 2026, Bellevue City Council Agenda materials is hereby adopted by reference into this Ordinance and shall be substantially in the form given Clerk's Receiving No. _____ .

Section 20. If any one or more sections, subsections or sentences of this Ordinance are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of

the remaining portion of this Ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 21. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after passage and legal publication.

PASSED by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2026 and signed in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2026.

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Mo Malakoutian, Mayor

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Charmaine Arredondo, City Clerk
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