

Council Agenda Report

Date: June 20, 2016

Prepared and Submitted by: Daniel Dvorak, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: An Ordinance of the Commissioners of Cambridge, Maryland (“The Commissioners”), to Amend Section 11-11 Entitled “Prohibited Parking Generally” of Article II “Parking” of Chapter 11 “Motor Vehicles and Traffic” of The Code of Laws of the City of Cambridge

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Introduce Ordinance No. 1085, by reading of title only, and
- B. Schedule July 11, 2016 for a second reading, public hearing and adoption.

Discussion:

Vehicles parked on two-way streets with the left wheels, or driver’s side, to the curb creates an unsafe situation. The driver has to cross over the oncoming traffic travel lane to park left wheels to the curb. Additionally it creates a hazard when placing the vehicle in motion because the driver is unable to clearly see oncoming vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists.

Fiscal Impact:
None

Approved By: 

ORDINANCE

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE, MARYLAND (“THE COMMISSIONERS”), TO AMEND SECTION 11-11 ENTITLED “PROHIBITED PARKING GENERALLY” OF ARTICLE II “PARKING” OF CHAPTER 11 “MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the recommendation of the Traffic and Safety Committee and the recommendation of the Chief of Police, the Commissioners of Cambridge have determined it to be in the best interest of the public’s health, safety and welfare to prohibit the parking of vehicles on the left side of a two-way street, and certain one-way streets, and on any street designated or posted as “No Parking.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Commissioners of Cambridge that Section 11-11 entitled “Prohibited Parking,” of Chapter 11 of the Code of Laws of the City of Cambridge, is hereby amended to read follows:

Sec. 11-11. - Prohibited parking generally.

No person shall park any vehicle at any time in the city:

- (a) Within 15 feet from any fireplug.
- (b) On any street within 15 feet from its intersection with another street.
- (c) On any street opposite any public or private alley or driveway in any manner which impedes access to and from such alleys or driveways.
- (d) At the same location on any street for more than 48 consecutive hours.
- (e) In front of any school building where the curb is painted yellow, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on all days when school is in session.
- (f) In front of any curb that is officially painted yellow, except as provided in subsection (e) of this section.

(g) Which carries a boat, at the same location on any street for more than 24 consecutive hours.

(h) On any street or portion of a street which is designated or posted as “No Parking.”

(i) On the left side of a two-way street, resulting in the tires on the left side (i.e. driver’s side) of the vehicle being immediately adjacent to the curb. Parking may occur on the left side of one-way streets, provided the left side of the street is not designated or posted as “No Parking.”

ATTEST:

THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE

Sandra Tripp-Jones
City Manager

BY: _____
Donald Sydnor, Council President
And Acting Mayor

Introduced the _____ June, 2016

Adopted and Effective the _____ day of June, 2016

NOTE: Word(s) which are in bold and underscored are to be added to the City Code of Laws; words in double bold brackets to be deleted from the City Code of Laws.