

LRB - FISCAL SECTION ANALYSIS

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ITEM 16, FILE 021704

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

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File #021704 is a substitute ordinance relating to parking regulations for street sweeping operations.

Background

1. In order to increase the effectiveness of the City's street sweeping operations, the Common Council adopted, on April 23, 2002, an ordinance (File#021704) creating a pilot street sweeping program in certain areas of the 3rd and 14th Aldermanic Districts.
2. The pilot program ordinance prohibited parking on designated streets within the pilot area between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the first or third Wednesday of the month so the streets could be swept. The ordinance provided for the ticketing and the towing of vehicles.
3. On October 15, 2002, the Common Council removed areas in the 14th Aldermanic District that had been included in the pilot street sweeping program (File #020795).
4. The pilot street sweeping program ordinance expired on November 30, 2002.
5. The table below shows the number of citations issued by DPW parking under the pilot street sweeping program.

Date	Citation Issuance		Total
	East Side	South Side	Citations
7/17/2002	398	164	562
8/7/2002	304	110	414
8/21/2002	211	94	305
9/4/2002	486	60	546
9/18/2002	602	NA	602
10/2/2002	538	NA	538
10/16/2002	317	NA	317
11/6/2002	287	NA	287
11/20/2002	159	NA	159

6. The table on page 2 shows the number of tows authorized by DPW Parking under the pilot street sweeping program.

Date	Towing		Total
	East Side	South Side	Towed
7/17/2002	NA	NA	NA
8/7/2002	NA	NA	NA
8/21/2002	72	51	123
9/4/2002	NA	NA	NA
9/18/2002	116	NA	116
10/2/2002	116	NA	116
10/16/2002	104	NA	104
11/6/2002	91	NA	91
11/20/2002	69	NA	69

Discussion

1. The ordinance authorizes the designation of streets on which parking between certain hours is prohibited in order to provide for street sweeping operations. Additional legislation is required to designate specific streets and the hours parking is prohibited. It has been proposed that certain streets in the 3rd Aldermanic District be designated to fall under this ordinance.
2. The ordinance imposes the forfeiture of \$30 for citations for parking not in compliance with parking regulations on designated street sweeping streets.
3. The ordinance authorizes the ticketing and towing of motor vehicles not parked in compliance with the parking regulations on designated street sweeping streets. (The vehicle reclamation charge for a towed vehicle is \$95 and \$20 for each day of storage.)

Fiscal Impact

1. According to the fiscal note submitted by the Department of Public Works (DPW), the ordinance will generate \$240,400 in net Parking Fund revenue; provide \$2,881 in operational savings to DPW's Operations Division; and increase expenditures by \$45,000 in DPW's Infrastructure Services Division. DPW's estimate of the ordinance's fiscal impact is shown in the table on page 3.

	Expenditures	Revenue	Savings
Operations Division			
Sweeper Operator			\$1,038
Sweeper Operator			\$ 501
Sweeper Operating Costs			\$1,342
Infrastructure Services			
Signs (Fabrication & Installation of approximately 450 signs)	\$45,000		
Parking Fund			
Parking Citation Revenue		\$124,200	
Towing/ Storage/Disposal	\$103,200	\$219,400	
Net (Revenues – Expenditures)	\$148,200	\$343,600	\$2,881

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