

PORT OF CASCADE LOCKS

Ordinance No. 2020-1

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PARKING FACILITIES ON PORT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Cascade Locks (“Port Commission”) has all of the powers and duties of the governing body of a port district organized under ORS Chapter 777;

WHEREAS, the Port of Cascade Locks (the “Port”) owns and operates parking facilities on Port-owned property including in Marine Park and the Business Park within the City of Cascade Locks;

WHEREAS, the Port Commission is authorized under ORS 777.190 to adopt ordinances for the policing, control, regulation, and management of property owned, operated, maintained, or controlled by the Port, and to provide for the enforcement of the same;

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 198.550 the Port Commission may adopt an emergency ordinance to meet the needs of an emergency, upon unanimous approval of all members of the Port Commission at a public meeting where a quorum is present;

WHEREAS, due to the public health and financial threats posed by the infectious coronavirus COVID-19, the Port has been operating in a local state of emergency since the Port Commission’s declaration of a state of emergency on March 20, 2020;

WHEREAS, due to the public health threats posed by COVID-19, the State of Oregon has been operating in a state of emergency pursuant to Oregon Governor Kate Brown’s emergency declaration on March 8, 2020;

WHEREAS, through various executive orders since March 8, 2020, Governor Brown has prohibited gatherings of twenty-five persons or more and ordered the closure of certain recreational and nonessential businesses and services;

WHEREAS, Governor Brown has permitted counties in Oregon to enter into any of three phases of reopening so long as certain health indicators are met;

WHEREAS, Hood River County is currently in Phase II of reopening and the Port Commission is committed to taking action to monitor local conditions and adhere to the guidance promulgated by the Oregon Health Authority and Hood River County health officials;

WHEREAS, upon the recent reopening of Hood River County the Port has experienced a surge of vehicle parking and a large number of visitors on and around Port-owned properties and recreational areas including the Marine Park and the Business Park;

WHEREAS, the Port Commission believes that immediate action is needed to regulate vehicle parking on Port-owned properties in order to monitor and prevent the gathering of mass crowds and comply with the current health and safety guidance in light of the state of emergency;

WHEREAS, the Port Commission recognizes that a state of emergency continues to exist and immediate action is needed to meet the needs of the state of emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PORT OF CASCADE LOCKS ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Definitions.

“Park” means a vehicle that is stopped or standing for any period of time regardless of whether the vehicle is occupied.

“Port” means the Port of Cascade Locks.

“Port Commission” means the Board of Commissioners for the Port of Cascade Locks.

“Port property” means all real property in Hood River County, Oregon, owned, operated, maintained, or controlled by the Port of Cascade Locks.

“Vehicle” means any device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street or highway and includes vehicles that are propelled or powered by any means.

SECTION 2. Parking Fees Required. Any vehicle that parks upon Port property shall be subject to parking fees at rates to be established by the Port Commission by resolution. The registered owner of the vehicle shall be responsible for proper payment when due.

SECTION 3. Enforcement. The Port General Manager or designee, and other individuals as authorized by the Port Commission, are each authorized to collect parking fees and enforce the provisions of this Ordinance. Enforcement of this Ordinance shall be made pursuant to the enforcement provisions of Ordinance 1997-1 regulating conduct on Port property. Any person who violates this Ordinance shall be subject to all applicable penalties, fees, and enforcement actions that apply to the regulation of conduct on Port property through Ordinance 1997-1.

SECTION 4. Emergency Passage. This Ordinance being necessary to meet the emergency conditions described herein and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, and safety, an emergency is declared to exist and this Ordinance takes effect immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2020, effective as of the date of adoption.

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BY: _____ TITLE: _____ DATE _____

Attest: BY: _____ TITLE: _____ DATE _____