

ORDINANCE NO. 651

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, PLACING TEMPORARY REGULATIONS ON PARKING WITHIN THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2015

WHEREAS, in 2015, the U.S. Open Championship will occur from June 15th through 21st in University Place; and

WHEREAS, this marks the first time in its more than 100-year history that the Championship has been held in the state of Washington, and with an estimated 30,000 attendees per day coming and going for the seven days of the Championship, it is by far the largest event ever to occur in our city with ticket holders essentially doubling the population of University Place during the event; and

WHEREAS, from the time the 2015 U.S. Open was announced by Pierce County in 2007 through today, University Place residents have expressed valid concerns about event traffic and parking, clogged streets and other interference with access to and from their homes; and

WHEREAS, the United States Golf Association (USGA) plans to provide remote parking lots and shuttles for all ticket holders, but an impact to local streets from traffic and parking remains a significant risk; and

WHEREAS, to address the potential traffic and parking impact, University Place staff, led by Public Works and Police, have worked with West Pierce Fire and the USGA to develop a draft plan that would welcome 30,000 visitors each day to our City, while minimizing to the greatest extent possible traffic and parking impacts to residents who live near the course; and

WHEREAS, the primary goals of the draft plan are to secure our residents' access to and from their homes during the seven-day event, and to avoid the congestion from event traffic and parking that could hinder emergency response times; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the draft plan and staff has conducted extensive outreach to the affected neighborhoods and businesses, including two informational open houses and has considered resident and business feedback; and

WHEREAS, the City has full police power authority within its jurisdiction to adopt temporary parking regulations during the month of June 2015, to promote public health, safety and welfare.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Enactment. A new temporary Chapter 10.16 of the University Place Municipal Code entitled "U.S. Open Temporary Parking Zone Regulations" is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Chapter 10.16

2015 U.S. OPEN TEMPORARY PARKING ZONE REGULATIONS

10.16.010 Purpose.

A. These Temporary U.S. Open Parking Zone Regulations are adopted pursuant to the police power of the City of University Place to promote public safety during the period in which the City's streets will be impacted by traffic arising from the 2015 U.S. Open Championship at the Chambers Bay Golf Course.

B. For those zones delineated on the attached and incorporated official Temporary U.S. Open Parking Regulations Map designated as the No Event Parking Zone, the No on Street Parking Zone, and the Neighborhood Access Pass Zone, these Temporary Parking Regulations wholly supersede any conflicting provisions stated in or incorporated into University Place Municipal Code Section 10.15, the Parking Code. These Zones will be posted, however, signs need not be placed on individual streets within the designated areas in order to be enforced.

10.16.020 No Event Parking Zone.

No person attending the 2015 U.S. Open Championship, whether as a participant, employee, vendor, vendor patron, ticket holder, volunteer, or otherwise whose purpose is to access, view or attempt to view the event, may park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, within the right-of-way in the No Event Parking Zone as depicted on the official Temporary U.S. Open Parking Regulations Map.

10.16.030 No On-Street Parking Zone.

A. No person may park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, within the right-of-way in the No On-Street Parking Zone as depicted on the official Temporary U.S. Open Parking Regulations Map.

B. Subsection A of this Section does not apply to the driver of any vehicle that is disabled in such a manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the vehicle in such position. The driver shall nonetheless arrange for the prompt removal of the vehicle.

C. Subsection A of this Section does not apply to the driver of either a properly marked school bus or a public transit vehicle who temporarily stops the vehicle upon the roadway for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers at a school stop or marked transit vehicle stop zone.

10.16.040 Neighborhood Access Pass Zone.

All drivers residing within the Neighborhood Access Pass Zone as depicted on the official Temporary U.S. Open Parking Regulations Map will be given passes to allow them to freely come and go from their residences. Except as provided in this temporary Chapter 10.16, no other vehicular traffic will be allowed to enter the Neighborhood Access Pass Zone.

10.16.050 Home Delivery and Home-Based Business Customer Access in No On-Street Parking Zone, and Neighborhood Access Pass Zone.

A. Residents and home-based businesses located within the temporary No On-Street Parking, and Neighborhood Access Pass Zones may contact the City's Public Works Department to make arrangements for scheduled home-deliveries, or access and parking by customers of home-based businesses.

10.16.060 Notice on Illegally Parked Vehicle.

Whenever any vehicle without an operator is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed in this Chapter, the officer or authorized City official, finding such vehicle shall record its license number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its operator or owner, and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle notice in writing for the operator or owner to answer to the charge against him or her within fifteen (15) days at a place specified in the notice. The officer, or authorized City official, shall deposit a copy of such infraction citation with University Place Municipal Court.

10.16.070 - Impound Authorized.

These Temporary Parking Regulations are intended to promote public safety during the 2015 U.S. Open Championship in University Place. When in the officer's, or authorized City official's, judgment any vehicle parked in violation of this Chapter presents a risk to public safety, such vehicle may be impounded in the manner provided in State law.

10.16.080 Failure to Comply With Notice Attached to Parked Vehicle

If the operator or owner in violation of the restriction on parking or stopping does not appear in response to a notice affixed to such motor vehicle within a period of fifteen (15) days, the Clerk of the Court shall send to the operator or owner of the motor vehicle to which the notice was affixed a letter informing him or her of the violations and warning him or her that in the event such a letter is disregarded for a period of fourteen (14) days, a warrant of arrest will be issued. The Court shall issue the warrant for the arrest of any defendant who has failed to appear before the Court either in person or by counsel in answer to such letter within fifteen (15) days) from the date of mailing.

10.16.090 Penalty for Failing to Respond.

There shall be imposed a penalty of \$25.00 upon failure of any defendant to respond within fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing of the notice of traffic infraction relating to parking. This penalty shall be in addition to any penalty imposed for the traffic infraction. As provided in State law, this penalty is not subject to statutory assessment applicable to traffic offenses.

10.16.100 Presumption in Reference to Illegal Parking.

In any prosecution charging a violation of any law or regulation governing the standing or parking of a vehicle, proof that the particular vehicle described in the complaint was parked in violation of any such law or regulation, together with proof that the defendant named in the complaint was at the time of such parking a registered owner of such vehicle, shall constitute prima facie evidence that the registered owner of such vehicle was the person who parked or placed such vehicle at the point where, and for the time during which, such violation occurred.

10.16.110 Penalty for Violation.

Any violation or failure to comply with any provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed a civil infraction and shall be subject to a penalty of \$250.00 per offense.

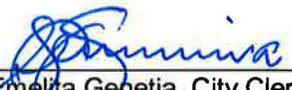
Section 2. Severability. If any one or more sections, subsections, or sentences of this Ordinance are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Effective Date - Expiration. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days from and after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law, or upon June 1, 2015, whichever is later and shall fully expire on June 30, 2015.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 2, 2015.


Denise McCluskey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Steve Victor, City Attorney

Publication Date: 03/04/15
Effective Date: 06/01/15

RAB/Traffic Signal Locations/Parking Restriction Zones



Legend

- Roundabouts
- Road Closed
- Neighborhood Access Pass Zone (89)
- No On Street Parking Zone (1,245)
- No Event Parking Zone (3,432)

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