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**RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

A RESOLUTION requesting the continued policy review of the Restricted Parking Zone (RPZ) program by the Seattle Department of Transportation and a report back to Council by January 1, 2011 on implementation of the revised RPZ program components established by Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_ as well as additional options related to progressive pricing of RPZ permits for both residents and businesses, increased thresholds for establishment of an RPZ, and additional means to manage the number of permits issued to non-residents.

WHEREAS, in 1979, Ordinance 108354 established the Restricted Parking Zone program, which for many years was known generally as the residential parking zone program, to help ease parking congestion in residential neighborhoods, and Ordinance 122853 amended the resident identification permit fees to cover the increased cost of administration; and

WHEREAS, restricted parking zones are often located adjacent to generators of high traffic demand, such as universities, high schools, hospitals, transit stations or stops, and business districts in order to limit the impact of employees, transit commuters, and students parking their vehicles for lengthy time periods and thereby using parking that might otherwise be used by residents and area visitors; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) initiated a major policy review starting in 2007 to redesign the existing RPZ program to better achieve the City of Seattle's goals in areas of parking management, transportation, economic development, social equity, and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Council adopted Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_ making changes to the RPZ program that address many but not all of the identified issues coming out of SDOT's major policy review;

NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

1 Section 1. The Seattle Department of Transportation is requested to conduct additional  
2 analysis of the following issues and provide recommendations in a report to the City Council by  
3 January 1, 2011 on additional potential changes in the RPZ program including policies and  
4 procedures relating to:

- 5 a. Consideration of imposing a progressive fee structure for resident RPZ permits with  
6 significant increases in cost after the first one or two permits to better manage  
7 utilization of limited curb space in RPZs;  
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10 b. Consideration of additional means to manage the number of non-resident RPZ  
11 permits for qualified businesses and institutions in the Initial Segment LINK Light  
12 Rail transit station areas, including a progressive fee structure that may be  
13 calibrated differently than for resident RPZ permits.  
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16 c. The effect of imposing increased requirements to establish an RPZ zone in  
17 Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_ on a neighborhood's ability to successfully establish or  
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1 modify an RPZ zone; specifically the increase in minimum size from 5 contiguous city  
2 blocks (or 10 blocks faces) to 10 contiguous city blocks (or 20 block faces) and the increase  
3 from a minimum of 25% non-resident parked cars to 50%; and any recommendations on  
4 whether or not it is advisable to keep or reduce these thresholds.  
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7 Adopted by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009, and  
8 signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
9 of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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12 President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

13 THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

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16 Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

17 Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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