

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: December 4, 2023
Reviewed by: NA

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 2023-06, Amendments to Chapter 20 of the Albany Municipal Code Sections 20.12, 20.20, 20.24, 20.28, 20.40, and 20.100 of the Zoning Ordinance to Modify Off-Street Parking Regulations – Second Reading, Pass-to-Print

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SUMMARY

Assembly Bill (AB) 2097, which took effect January 1, 2023, removes minimum parking requirements for residential and most commercial development when located within ½-mile of public transit. Since most of the land area within the City of Albany is located within ½ mile of public transit and therefore subject to AB 2097, the City has elected to eliminate parking minimums citywide, where applicable. The Ordinance eliminates minimum parking requirements citywide, except the Waterfront District, for all uses. It also establishes maximum parking requirements for non-residential uses.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopt Ordinance No. 2023-06, amending Chapter 20 of the Albany Municipal Code, Sections 20.12, 20.20, 20.24, 20.28, 20.40, and 20.100 regarding Off-Street Parking Regulations – Second Reading, Pass-to-Print.

BACKGROUND

At the November 6, 2023 City Council meeting, the City Council voted 5-0 to amend the General Plan and to establish minimum parking requirements citywide, where applicable. The City Council voted 4-1 to establish maximum parking requirements for non-residential uses only. (Maximum residential parking requirements remain for the San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan area only.)

The City Council approved the Ordinance for first reading, with this amendment.

DISCUSSION

The Ordinance before Council, with Council directed amendments, is for Second Reading, Pass-to-Print. If approved, a summary of the Ordinance will be published, and the Ordinance will be posted at each of the City’s posting locations (City Hall, Community Center, Senior Center, and the City’s website). The Ordinance will go into effect 30 days following adoption.

Attachments

1. Ordinance No. 2023-06
2. Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 2023-06 – Zoning Ordinance Amendments