



ORDINANCE NO _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 93, SECTION 93-5 OF THE DEWEY BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO PARKING PERMITS AND THE ELIMINATION OF THE DAILY AND FOUR-HOUR RATES

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach find it reasonable to eliminate the daily and four-hour parking rates due to the enhanced flexibility of on-line methods of payment allowing for parking during periods of various times shorter than twenty-four hours.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach, Sussex County, Delaware, in session met, as follows:

Section 1. Amend Chapter 93, § 93-5(B) of the Code of Ordinances by striking the subsections C(1) and (3) thereof as depicted with strikeouts below:

§ 93-5 Parking permits.

A. Seasonal: \$250. The price will be reduced to \$125 on August 1 of each year.

(1) Dewey Beach property owners and business owners with a business physically located in Dewey Beach are eligible to purchase up to two discounted seasonal parking permits at \$150 per permit, provided:

(a) Assessments for beach replenishment on all applicants' properties are paid in full; and

(b) The applicant has no unpaid Dewey Beach parking fines.

(2) Business owners without a physical location in Dewey Beach shall be permitted to purchase up to two discounted seasonal permits at \$200.

(3) Direct employees of Dewey Beach businesses with valid proof (pay stub or employment letter) and additional passes for property owners are also eligible for the \$200 rate.

B. Weekly rate (any eight consecutive days): \$90.

C. Daily and weekend rates.

(1) Daily rate:

(a) For use on a Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday (partial enforcement hours): \$15.

(b) For use on a Thursday/Friday/Saturday/Sunday (full enforcement hours): \$20.

~~(2)~~ Weekend rate: \$45 for one-time use on any consecutive Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

~~(3)~~ Four-hour rate:

~~(a)~~ For use on a Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday (partial enforcement hours): \$10

~~(b)~~ For use on a Thursday/Friday/Saturday (full enforcement hours): \$12

D. Parking permits are in effect from 12:01 a.m. May 15 to 12:00 midnight September 15 of every year.

E. Parking permits are required from the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, and 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following day Monday through Wednesday (partial enforcement hours) and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. the following day Thursday through Sunday (full enforcement hours).

F. Parking permits will be replaced at a cost of 50% of the original price.

Section 2. If any provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed or held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, then such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance which may be given effect without such invalid or unenforceable provision, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage by a majority vote of the Commissioners of the Town of Dewey Beach.

Enacted this 17th day of February, 2023

SYNOPSIS

This Act eliminates the daily and four-hour parking rate provisions as technical advances in online parking services can accommodate the public's desire to park for shorter or various other time periods.

William Stevens, Mayor

Bill Zolper, Town Manager