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**JUN 16 1998**

City Council  
Sacramento, California

OFFICE OF THE  
CITY CLERK

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDED 10-HOUR PARKING METER FEE**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:**

City wide. All Districts.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This report recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution to amend the fees for 10-hour parking meters.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Michael J. Melvin, Administrative Services Officer, 264-7475

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** June 16, 1998

**SUMMARY:**

This report recommends amending the existing 10-hour parking meter fees. The current three dollars a day fee would be amended to that of a flexible rate between three and six dollars a day. The On-Street Parking & Animal Care Services Division Manager would have the authority to adjust the on-street 10-hour meter fee based on street parking conditions. More convenient, all day, street parking would be set at a higher fee. Parkers that utilize all day street parking would have a choice of how much they paid depending on location and convenience. It is anticipated that there will be an increase in parking meter revenues. However, staff is taking a cautious approach in projecting any increases in revenues. Any adjustments in revenue will be made at midyear.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

None.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

There have not been any changes in the all day (10-hour) meter fees in over four years. The all-day meters that are the most convenient for commuter parkers fill early each morning while others, at more remote street parking locations, remain vacant.

- The current meter fee of three dollars a day is below those charged at City parking garages and lots.
- City operated parking lots and garages charge between four dollars and fifteen dollars per day depending on location.
- It cost the same to park at the City's long term parking meters throughout the City no matter where they are located or how much they are used.

It is one of our goals to upgrade the equipment that our parking customers use and provide them the most convenience when parking on City streets. Approximately two years ago the first new generation, electronic, debit card parking meters were installed at a few select street locations. Our customers responded very favorably to these new meters. It gave them the convenience of purchasing a parking card, in advance, that could be used instead of coins. There was no longer the need to carry a large number of coins to pay for their daily street parking. As an added convenience the debit cards can be purchased by mail.

- Fee changes on the new meters can be accomplished quickly without removing the meter from the street or the costly replacement of internal parts.
- It is proposed that the On-Street Parking & Animal Care Services Division Manager have the latitude and authority to adjust long term parking meter rates within the range of three dollars to six dollars based on street parking conditions. Parkers that utilize all day street parking would have a choice of meter rates depending on location and convenience.
- Initially, the parking meters rates on collection route eleven (O to Q, Front to 3rd Streets) and part of collection route nine (2nd to 7th, P to S Streets, Exhibit A) would be changed to four dollars a day. This is approximately 300, 17%, of the total number of all day meters. Parking is filled to capacity at these two locations and there are other all day parking meter locations within a short walk that will not be changed.

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- Before changing the fee at any location, parkers will be noticed of the pending change, given a map of meter locations, and information on how to purchase the prepaid debit card.

Other California cities were contacted and asked about their all day meter street parking. It was learned that all day metered parking is only a small percentage of the total metered parking in even the largest cities. Rates varied from a low of five cents per hour, for motorcycle parking in San Francisco, to seventy-five cents per hour in Monterey.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Initially the 300 electronic type parking meters will be changed to four dollars a day. Expenses associated with the fee change will be minimal and can be accomplished within the existing On-Street Parking & Animal Care Services operating budget. Staff is taking a cautious approach in projecting revenue increases. Any adjustments in revenue will be made at midyear.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8), Council actions establishing or modifying fees are exempt from the review of the California Environmental Quality Act if the Council finds that the fees are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits.

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

This recommendation is consistent with the City Council priority of sound fiscal management. It is consistent with existing cost recovery policies and procedures and will generate additional revenue to offset general-fund costs.

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**MBE/WBE:**

Any goods and services will be purchased in accordance with established City policy.

Respectfully submitted,

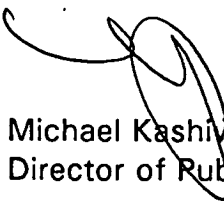


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Manager, On-Street Parking & Animal Care Services

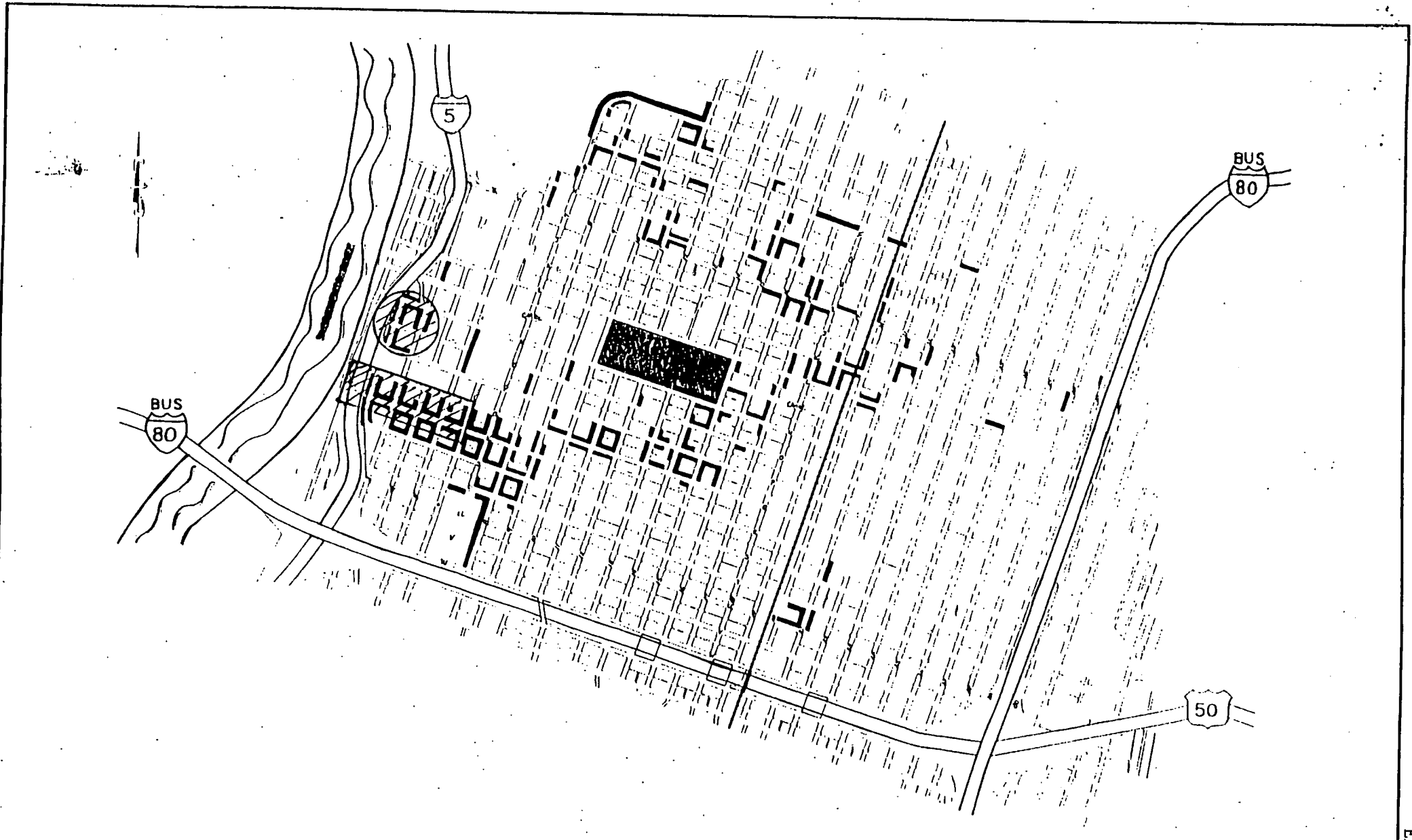
**RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:**

Approved:

WILLIAM H. EDGAR  
City Manager



Michael Kashiwagi  
Director of Public Works



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EXHIBIT A

**APPROVED**  
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

**RESOLUTION NO. 98-273**

**JUN 16 1998**

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

OFFICE OF THE  
CITY CLERK

ON DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO FEE AND  
CHARGE REPORT TO AMEND FEES FOR 10-HOUR PARKING METERS**

**THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO  
THAT:**

1. The City of Sacramento Fee and Charge Report is hereby amended to include the following amended fees:

10-hour parking meters	\$ .25 for each thirty minutes
	\$3.00 to \$6.00 for ten hours

2. Based on the information presented to it and upon all information in the public record, and in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8), the City Council finds that the amended fee is for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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