ORDINANCE NO. 14-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DELETING AND REPLACING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND REGULATION, TOWING OF VEHICLES, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Inglewood adopted a charter pursuant to the Constitution of the State of California;

WHEREAS, the charter vests the city council with the authority to adopt and “enforce all ordinances, rules and regulations made by it in respect to the municipal affairs of the city;”

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-2.1 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-2.1. Obedience to Traffic Directions of Authorized Personnel.
It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order, signal, or direction of a person designated by the Chief of Police to direct traffic."

SECTION 2. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-3 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-3. Civilian Activities Prohibited.
No person, other than an officer of the Police Department, a person designated by the Chief of Police, or a person authorized by law shall direct or attempt to direct traffic by means of any voice, hand or other signal; except that persons may operate any mechanical pushbutton signal erected by order of the Public Works Director.”
SECTION 3. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-58 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-58. City Removal of Vehicles; Posting Requirement.

Vehicles parked or left standing under the following circumstances may be removed if signs giving notice that the vehicle may be removed are erected or placed at least 24 hours prior to the removal:

1. When the use of a street, or portion thereof, is necessary for the cleaning, repair, or construction of the street, or for the installation of underground utilities;

2. When the use of the street, or a portion of the street, is authorized for a purpose other than the normal flow of traffic, and the parking of a vehicle would prohibit or interfere with that use or movement;

3. When the use of the street, or a portion of the street, is authorized for the movement of equipment, articles, or structures of unusual size, and the parking of a vehicle would prohibit or interfere with that use or movement;

4. Wherever the parking or standing of a vehicle is prohibited by local ordinance."

SECTION 4. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-60 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-60. Removal of Vehicles Parked 72 or More Consecutive Hours.

Peace officers and persons designated by the Chief of Police, who are trained in directing traffic and enforcing parking laws and regulations, are authorized to remove or cause to be removed any vehicle that has been parked, stopped or left standing for 72 or more consecutive hours."

SECTION 5. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-62 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-62. Authority to Remove Vehicles.
Peace officers and persons designated by the Chief of Police, who are trained in directing traffic and enforcing parking laws and regulations, are authorized to remove or cause to be removed a vehicle to the extent authorized by law.”

SECTION 6. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-81.1 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-81.1. Persons Authorized to Issue Notice of Parking Violation.

Peace officers and persons designated by the Chief of Police, who are trained in directing traffic and enforcing parking laws and regulations, are authorized to issue a notice of parking violation pursuant to Vehicle Code section 40202.”

SECTION 7. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-88 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-88. Parking Meter Charge and Operations.

(1) Each pay parking meter shall, upon the deposit of the appropriate United States coins, currency, credit and/or debit card with respect to a pay parking space controlled thereby, dispense a receipt showing the amount of time purchased and when lawful parking period will expire for that space, or shall display the amount of time purchased on the timing mechanism of the machine. Upon expiration of the lawful parking period, the right of a vehicle to occupy the space shall cease.

(2) The rate for parking in a, commercial and/or downtown area, parking meter during the hours of operation shall be fifty cents ($0.50) per thirty-minute increment.

(3) The rate for parking in a, industrial area, parking meter during the hours of operation shall be fifty cents ($0.50) per sixty-minute increment.

(4) Payment of a parking meter fee by credit and/or debit cards require the minimum charge of two dollars ($2.00).

(5) The Parking Enforcement and Enterprise Services Department shall maintain in its office an evaluation of meter usage justifying the use of said meters after due consideration of:
(a) Current market rates in nearby private and public facilities;
(b) Demand and supply analysis of available spaces;
(c) The turnover ratio and compatibility rates of parking amenities of this
type and location in other cities;
(d) Frequency of complaints from customers and retail store owners
regarding parking in the affected area; and
(e) Other relevant considerations.”

SECTION 8. Inglewood Municipal Code section 3-99 is hereby deleted in its
entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 3-99. Authority of Officers and Designated Personnel.
Peace officers and persons designated by the Chief of Police, who are trained in
directing traffic and enforcing parking laws and regulations, are hereby authorized to
direct traffic by voice, hand or other signal in conformance with traffic laws.
Whenever this Chapter delegates authority to a City Officer, or authorizes action
by the City Council to regulate traffic upon a State Highway which in any way by state
law requires the prior approval of the Department of Transportation, no such person
shall exercise such authority, nor shall such action by the City Council be effective with
respect to any State Highway without the prior approval in writing of the Department of
Transportation in and to the extent required by Division 9 and Division 11 of the
Vehicle Code.”

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, subdivision,
paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or its application to any person
or circumstance, is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or
unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining sections,
subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance,
or its application to any other person or circumstance. The City of Inglewood hereby
declares that it would have adopted each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph,
sentence, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the
sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases hereof be declared invalid or unenforceable.

SECTION 10. The City Clerk shall certify to the approval, passage and adoption of this Ordinance by the City Council and shall cause the same to be published in accordance with the City Charter; and thirty days from the final passage and adoption, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of March, 2014.

JAMES T. BUTTS, JR.

James T. Butts, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

YVONNE HORTON

Yvonne Horton, City Clerk