Proposed Int. No. 1393-A

By The Speaker (Council Member Johnson) and Council Members Torres, Chin, Levine, Brannan, Holden, the Public Advocate (Mr. Williams), Constantinides, Rivera and Van Bramer

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A Local Law in relation to parking enforcement

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Parking Enforcement. a. 1. For a period of six months, beginning no later than January 1, 2020, the police department shall, each week, evaluate no fewer than 25 blocks or intersections that are experiencing a prevalence of improper use of parking permits, and no fewer than 25 blocks or intersections that are experiencing obstruction of bicycle lanes, bus lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks, and fire hydrants by vehicles. In selecting such locations, the police department shall consider the following information from the previous six months:

(a) 311 complaints relating to the improper use of a parking permit;

(b) 311 complaints relating to the obstruction of a bicycle lane, bus lane, sidewalk, crosswalk, or fire hydrant by a vehicle;

(c) complaints received by the police department in relation to the improper use of a parking permit;

(d) complaints received by the police department in relation to obstruction of a bicycle lane, bus lane, sidewalk, crosswalk, or fire hydrant by a vehicle;

(e) summonses issued by the police department in relation to the improper use of a parking permit;

(f) summonses issued by the police department in relation to obstruction of a bicycle lane, bus lane, sidewalk, crosswalk, or fire hydrant by a vehicle;

(g) traffic crashes involving a fatality or serious injury; and

(h) moving violations issued by the police department.

2. Each evaluation conducted pursuant to this section shall include a description of each such block or intersection and why it was selected for evaluation; the number of complaints, summonses, traffic crashes, and moving violations associated with such block or intersection; the times at which such violations historically occur; photographs of all vehicles parked in such location demonstrating vehicles parked both legally and illegally; and for any vehicle parked illegally, a photograph of any city-issued parking permit or other parking permit displayed in each such vehicle, a photograph of the license plate of each such vehicle, and a summary of enforcement actions taken regarding each such vehicle and, if an enforcement action is not taken regarding each such vehicle, the reasons why.

b. No later than 30 days following the end of each month in which the police department conducts evaluations pursuant to subdivision a of this section, the police department shall submit a report identifying the blocks or intersections evaluated, the analyses and determinations made pursuant to paragraph 2 of subdivision a of this section, the department’s response to such evaluation, including actions taken, if any. Each such report shall be submitted to the department of investigation, the mayor, and the speaker of the council.

c. The department of investigation shall conduct an investigation and issue a report regarding the issuance of parking permits and enforcement of parking laws. No later than September 30, 2020, the department of investigation shall submit such report to the police department, the department of transportation, the mayor, and the speaker of the council and post such report on its website. Such report shall include, at a minimum:

1. an analysis of reports submitted pursuant to subdivision b of this section;

2. any patterns or trends relating to the enforcement of parking laws, and the use of parking permits; and

3. recommendations related to the enforcement of parking laws, the use of parking permits, and the issuance of parking permits.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately and is deemed repealed upon the submission of the report due no later than September 30, 2020, submitted pursuant to subdivision c of section 1 of this local law.

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