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By Council Members Felder and Morano

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to refunding or transferring unused pay-by-plate parking time, and to repeal subdivision e of section 19-167 of such code, relating to the prohibition on transfers of unused parking time between blockfaces

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision a of section 19-167 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding new definitions of "eWallet" and "parking application" in alphabetical order to read as follows:

eWallet. The term "eWallet" means a preloaded account on a parking application, funded with a credit or debit card, from which metered parking time may be purchased using funds from the preloaded balance.

Parking application. The term "parking application" means a digital application provided by an agency that allows users to purchase parking time from parking meters through cashless transactions.

§ 2. Subdivision e of section 19-167 of the administrative code of the city of New York is REPEALED and a new subdivision e of section 19-167 is added to read as follows:

e. Transfer or refund of pay-by-plate parking time. 1. Where an operator of a vehicle vacates a parking space with unused parking time remaining and such time was purchased using a parking application eWallet, the department shall refund the unused time to the parking application eWallet, provided that the unused time exceeds the minimum purchase increment for the blockface where the original purchase was made and that the vehicle is not parked in violation of any law or rule.

2. Where an operator of a vehicle vacates a parking space with unused parking time remaining and such

time was purchased at a pay-by-plate parking meter, the owner or operator may transfer the unused time to a different blockface, provided that both blockfaces charge the same parking rate and the unused time exceeds the minimum purchase increment for the blockface to which the vehicle is transferred, and that the vehicle is not parked in violation of any law or rule.

3. Where an owner or operator of a vehicle does not utilize a parking application eWallet or a pay-by-plate parking meter to pay for parking, purchased parking time may only be utilized on the blockface for which it was purchased and unused parking time may not be refunded.

§ 3. This local law takes effect 1 year after it becomes law.

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