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511.01 PARKING TIMES AND AREAS ESTABLISHED

It shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of a motor vehicle, or other vehicle, to park the vehicle between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and six o'clock p.m., prevailing time, on the following days of the week, namely, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (excepting any of the following holidays which shall include: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day), upon streets or upon municipal parking lots and areas. (Ord. 12 of 1988, Sect. 1, Passed 12-19-88) (Ord. 6 of 2005, Sect. 1, Passed 04-04-05; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 1, Passed 12-05-05)

- a.) For more than two hours at any one time upon the parts of streets and within an established municipal parking lot and parking area herein designated as follows: (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 3, Passed 12-5-05) to-wit:
- 1.) Thirteenth Street on both sides thereof between Chestnut Street and Liberty Street. (Ord. 11 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 12-18-69)
 - 2.) West Park Street, on the easterly side thereof, between Elk Street and Liberty Street. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 3, Passed 12-5-05)
 - 3.) Buffalo Street, on the southerly side thereof, between 13th Street and the easterly line of the junction of Buffalo Street and Moffitt's Alley. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69)

- 4.) Buffalo Street, on both sides thereof, between 12th Street and 13th Street. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69)
- 5.) Elk Street, on both sides thereof, between 12th Street and 13th Street. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69)
- 6.) Liberty Street, from 11th Street to 12th Street, on the both sides thereof from South Park Street to 12th Street. (Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 4, Passed 12-4-2017)
- 7.) Liberty Street, on both sides thereof, from 13th Street to Garnet Wood Way. (Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 5, Passed 12-4-2017)
- 8.) 12th Street, on both sides thereof, between Liberty Street and Buffalo Street, and on the easterly side thereof from Liberty Street to Elk Street. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 1, Passed 8-8-69; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 3, Passed 12-5-05)
- 9.) Garnet Wood Way, on the westerly side thereof. (Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 6, Passed 12-4-2017)

b.) For more than three hours at any one time upon the parts of the streets and within an established municipal parking lot and municipal parking area herein designated as follows, to wit: (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 4, Passed 12-5-05)

- 1.) In certain parking spots designated by the City Manager and Chief of Police in the municipal parking lots known as Lot A (Lot No. 127 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), Lot B (Lot No. 131 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), Lot C (Lots No. 469, 472 and 473 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), and Lot D (Lots No. 479, 480, 481 and 482 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 4, Passed 12-5-05)

c.) For more than ten hours at any one time upon the parts of the streets and within an established municipal parking lot and municipal parking area herein designated as follows: (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 5, Passed 12-5-05)

- 1.) In certain parking spots designated by the City Manager and Chief of Police in the municipal parking lots known as Lot A (Lot No. 127 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), Lot B (Lot No. 131 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), Lot C (Lots No. 469, 472 and 473 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin), and Lot D (Lots No. 479, 480, 481, and 482 as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 5, Passed 12-5-05)

- 2.) 12th Street, on the westerly side thereof, from Liberty Street to Elk Street. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 5, Passed 12-5-05)
- 3.) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the City may grant parking permits for a particular motor vehicle per quarter year at a cost to be established by resolution of the City Council, which shall entitle said vehicle to be exempt from the normal charges of any parking meter where the vehicle is parked in a marked permit parking space. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 5, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 7, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.02 PARKING METER ZONES ESTABLISHED

The parts of the streets and the municipal parking lots and municipal parking areas hereinbefore designated and identified are hereby established as "Parking Meter Zones". (Ord. 814, Sect. 2, Passed 12-2-41)

511.03 DUTIES OF OFFICERS OF CITY

The proper officers of the City shall cause parking spaces to be marked within parking Meter Zones as follows:

- a.) Where parking parallel with the curb is to be provided, the spaces shall be marked by lines on the curb or pavement or other appropriate means providing spaces approximately twenty feet in length; and
- b.) Where parking diagonal to the curb is to be provided, the spaces shall be marked by lines on the pavement or other appropriate means providing spaces approximately eleven feet in width.

The proper officers of the City shall erect, or cause to be erected, a parking meter on each parking space designated in accordance with this Section, which meter shall, upon the deposit of a coin, indicate the duration of the legal parking period and the time when such period has elapsed; provided, however, that in the Parking Meter Zones where parking kiosks are installed, no parking meters shall be erected for each parking space. (Ord. 814, Sect. 3, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 8, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.04 RATES FOR METERS

a.) The operator of a vehicle shall, immediately upon entering a parking space that is regulated by a parking meter or a parking kiosk, pay the necessary fee to park by:

- (1) In the case of a parking meter, depositing a coin or coins in United States currency in the meter; or,
- (2) In the case of a parking kiosk, by use of a credit card or debit card at the kiosk, or depositing cash, coin or coins in the kiosk; or
- (3) In the case of a parking meter or parking kiosk, by use of a smartphone application that allows for remote payment for parking, and also allows the operator to transfer the time purchased to a different meter or kiosk at another parking space in the City. (Ord. No. 8 of 2017, Sect. 9, Passed 12-4-2017)

The parking meter rate shall be Five Cents (\$.05) for each six (6) minutes of an hour, Ten Cents (\$.10) for each twelve (12) minutes of an hour, or Twenty-Five Cents (\$.25) for each thirty (30) minutes of an hour that the vehicle is to occupy a parking space, for a period to not exceed the number of hours set forth in Sections 511.01 and 511.12 of this Article; provided, however, that the minimum parking kiosk transaction shall be One Dollar and 00/100 (\$1.00) for two (2) hours when a credit card or debit card is used. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 8, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 1 of 2016, Sect. 1, Passed 01-04-2016; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 9, Passed 12-4-2017)

b.) The failure to pay the necessary fee to park at a parking meter or parking kiosk as set forth in this Section, or a subdivision thereof, shall be a violation of this Article. Every person in whose name a vehicle is registered shall be responsible for any violation of this Article and any penalties assessed as hereinafter provided. It shall not be a defense that the vehicle was parked illegally by another person, unless proof is presented that the vehicle had been stolen and had not been returned to the registered owner or owners by the date of the violation. (Ord. 6 of 1969, Sect. 2, Passed 8-8-69; Ord. 6 of 2017, Sect. 1, Passed 07-10-2017; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 10, Passed 12-4-2017)

c.) Notwithstanding any other provision in Article 511, no operator of a vehicle shall be required to deposit any coins in any meters of the City on New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving or Christmas." (Ord. 8 of 1987, Sect. 1, Passed 11-16-87; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 10, Passed 12-5-05)

511.05 NO EXTENSIONS

It shall be unlawful for any person to extend the parking time limit beyond the time fixed for a regulated parking space with any form of additional payment. (Ord. 814, Sect. 5, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 11, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.06 MUST BE WITHIN PARKING SPACE

It shall be unlawful to park a vehicle unless the same shall be wholly within a parking space as designated by the lines and markings to be established in accordance with this Article. (Ord. 814, Sect. 6, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 11, Passed 12-5-05)

511.07 NO SLUGS

It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit, or cause to be deposited, a slug, device or metallic substitute for a coin of the United States in any parking meter or parking kiosk. (Ord. 814, Sect. 7, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 12, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 12, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.08 NO DAMAGE TO METERS

It shall be unlawful for any person to deface, tamper with, damage, open or attempt to open, willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter or parking kiosk installed under the terms of this Article. (Ord. 814, Sect. 8, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 13, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.09 UNLAWFUL TO PARK BEYOND TIME FIXED

It shall be unlawful for any person to permit a vehicle to remain or be placed in any parking space:

- (a) While a parking meter is displaying a signal evidencing that the vehicle has been parked beyond the time fixed by the parking meter; or
- (b) Beyond the time fixed by the sign for a parking space regulated by a parking kiosk; or
- (c) Beyond the total time purchased for a vehicle when using a smartphone application that allows for remote payment for parking in multiple regulated parking spaces in the City. (Ord. 814, Sect. 9, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 13, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 14, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.10 NO PARKING WHERE PROHIBITED

Nothing contained in this Article is intended or shall be construed to permit the parking of a vehicle in a space where parking is prohibited by other Ordinances of the City. (Ord. 814, Sect. 10, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 14, Passed 12-5-05)

511.11 FREE TEMPORARY PARKING

The City Manager, Chief of Police, or the Council of the City of Franklin may, from time to time by special order, provide for free temporary parking space for loading or unloading vehicles. All free temporary spaces designated by order shall be reserved for the discharge and entry of passengers and the loading and unloading of vehicles, provided, however, it shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle other than temporarily within the spaces so designated. All free temporary parking spaces shall be at all times marked by appropriate signs designating the same as such. (Ord. 814, Sect. 11, Passed 12-2-41; Ord. 6 of 1986, Sect. 2, Passed 8-18-86; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 15, Passed 12-5-05)

511.12 LOT ADJACENT TO CITY HALL

The parking lot which is the subject of this Section is the lot adjacent to the West side of the City building at 430 13th Street, Franklin, Venango County, Pennsylvania, bounded on the South by Buffalo Street; on the West by Garnet Wood Way; on the North by land of Northwest Savings Bank; and on the East by the City building or City Hall. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 16, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 15, Passed 12-4-2017)

The said lot shall contain motor vehicle parking spaces along the easterly side thereof reserved at all times for the use of the following officers, officials and employees of the City, to-wit: Finance Director, City Manager, seven (7) spaces for police vehicles, City Engineer, Mayor, and for the City cars, with signs designating for whom the space is reserved and the said lot shall contain motor vehicle parking spaces along the westerly side thereof reserved at all times for the use of said officers, officials and employees to the extent said spaces cannot be placed along the easterly side thereof, motor vehicle parking spaces shall be reserved along the westerly side thereof for the use of the Redevelopment Authority, Code Enforcement Officer, and Chief of Police; provided, however, City Council members employed in the Franklin City Hall on official business at the Franklin City Hall shall have the right to park a motor vehicle bearing a sticker provided through the office of the City Clerk in the said lot adjacent to City Hall or in the other parking lot along Garnet Wood Way or immediately to the West of the aforesaid lot, and all employees of the City

employed in the Franklin City Hall on official business shall have the right to park a motor vehicle bearing a sticker to be provided through the office of the City Clerk in the parking lot West of Garnet Wood Way. (Ord. 6 of 1986, Sect. 2, Passed 8-18-86; Ord. 9 of 1986, Sect. 2, Passed 10-20-86; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 16, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 15, Passed 12-4-2017)

In the lot adjacent to City Hall, it shall be unlawful for the owner or operator of a motor vehicle, or other vehicle, to park the vehicle in the spaces left not specifically designated and reserved between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., prevailing time, on the following days of the week, namely, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday (excepting any one of the following holidays, which shall include: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day) for more than two (2) hours at any one time; provided, however, that two (2) of said motor vehicle parking spaces near the middle of the westerly side of the lot adjacent to City Hall shall be limited to twelve (12) minute parking. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 16, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 16, Passed 12-4-2017)

Motor vehicles of members of City Council and employees of the City employed at the City Hall shall not be subject to any rate or charge at any time for parking at any of said meters when the said Council members or employees are employed in the business of the City in the City building or City Hall, provided vehicles bear on the side of the rear view mirror a sticker, sign or decal visible from the exterior of the front windshield issued by the City Clerk. At no time shall employees of the City employed at the City Hall park in the two (2) motor vehicle parking spaces on the westerly side of the lot adjacent to City Hall that are limited to twelve minutes. (Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 16, Passed 12-5-05)

The parking spaces on the West side of the lot adjacent to City Hall at which parking meters are erected as provided herein shall be a special parking meter zone in the City of Franklin, and the operator of a vehicle shall, immediately upon entering a parking space in the special parking meter zone, deposit a coin of the United States in the meter at the rate herein provided for the periods of time herein provided that the vehicle is to occupy the parking space, for a period of time not to exceed the period of time as aforesaid; and the failure to deposit a coin or coins in accordance with this Section shall be a violation of this Article and shall subject the person who fails to deposit a coin or coins to the penalties provided in Section 511.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Franklin, Pennsylvania, 1977. Any motor vehicle parked in a reserved parking space which is not owned, leased or so parked by a person for whom the said space is reserved by the terms of this Ordinance or by a member of City Council attending to the business of the City in the City Hall after 5:00 p.m. and before 8:15 a.m., prevailing time, shall be removed by a tow truck, and the expense of said removal shall be paid at the Police Department before a receipt entitling the person to obtain a release of the motor vehicle and evidence of ownership of the vehicle shall also be furnished by the person claiming the vehicle so removed before the vehicle is released. (Ord. 20 of 1978, Sect. 1, Passed 11-20-78; Ord. 8 of 1980, Sect. 1, Passed 5-5-80)

511.13 HANDICAPPED OR FIRE LANES

a.) It shall be unlawful to park a vehicle within a space designated for handicapped parking unless the vehicle is a vehicle designated for operation by a handicapped person by the official designation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and said vehicle is, in fact, parked by a handicapped person in said space. (Ord. 8 of 1990, Sect. 1, Passed 12-17-90)

b.) It shall be unlawful to park a vehicle in a designated fire lane. (Ord. 8 of 1990, Sect. 1, Passed 12-17-90)

511.14 PARKING LOT E

Parking Lot E (Lots No. 114B and 114C as marked and designated on the General Map or Plan of the City of Franklin) is located west of Garnet Wood Way. All parking spaces in Parking Lot E shall be reserved for employees of the City or persons that purchase parking permits in accordance with Section 511.01(c)(3) for use in that parking lot. (Ord. 8 of 2017, Sect. 17, Passed 12-4-2017)

511.99 PENALTIES

a.) Any person, firm or corporation violating a provision of this Article, excepting only Section 511.13, or aiding, abetting or assisting in the violation thereof, shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding before any Magisterial District Judge having jurisdiction of such offense, be sentenced to pay a fine of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars, together with the costs of prosecution; and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, shall undergo imprisonment for a period not to exceed ten (10) days as may be determined in the discretion of the said Magisterial District Judge. (Ord. 8 of 1990, Sect. 2, Passed 12-17-90) (Ord. 6 of 2005, Sect. 3, Passed 04-04-05)

b.) The proceedings before the Magisterial District Judge under and pursuant to Section 511.99 (a) of The Parking Meter Code shall not be instituted upon receipt by the City of a Five (\$5.00) Dollar penalty within 72 hours from the time of the first violation or receipt by the City of a Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollar penalty within the period of 72 to 240 hours from the time of the violation, said penalties to be paid in lieu of fines and costs. (Ord. 6 of 2005, Sect. 4, Passed 04-04-05; Ord. 14 of 2005, Sect. 17, Passed 12-5-05; Ord. 1 of 2016, Sect. 2, Passed 01-04-2016; Ord. 2 of 2016, Sect. 1, Passed 03-07-2016)

c.) Any person, firm, or corporation violating a provision of Section 511.13 of this Article, or aiding, abetting, or assisting in the violation thereof, shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding before any Magisterial District Judge having jurisdiction of such offense, be sentenced to pay a fine of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars, together with costs of prosecution; and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, shall undergo imprisonment for a period not to exceed ten (10) days as may be determined in the discretion of the said Magisterial District Judge. (Ord. 8 of 1990, Sect. 4, Passed 12-17-90) (Ord. 6 of 2005, Sect. 5, Passed 04-04-05)