

SAN FRANCISCO  
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 250617-062

WHEREAS, The City seeks to address and mitigate the impacts of parking Large Vehicles, both those used for commercial purposes and those used for habitation as defined to include vehicles over twenty-two feet in length or seven feet in height, camp trailers, fifth-wheel travel trailers, house cars, trailer coaches, mobilehomes, and recreational vehicles, on San Francisco's streets; and,

WHEREAS, Long-term parking of Large Vehicles on city streets impacts traffic and circulation and often presents public health and safety hazards; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has designed the Large Vehicle Refuge Permit program to ensure that as conditioned, Large Vehicles parked in compliance with the permit's conditions will not adversely affect parking conditions for residents and merchants; and,

WHEREAS, City agencies, convened by the Mayor's Office, developed a comprehensive proposal to amend both Division I and Division II of the Transportation Code; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed Large and Commercial Vehicle Parking Citation and Removal project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); CEQA provides an exemption from environmental review for the reduction or elimination of minimum parking requirements or institution of parking maximums, removal or restriction of parking, or implementation of transportation demand management requirements or programs, as defined in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 21080.25(b)(9); and,

WHEREAS, On June 12, 2025, the Planning Department determined (Case Number 2025-004816ENV) that the proposed Overnight Recreational Large Vehicle Parking Citation and Removal project is statutorily exempt from environmental review under Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 21080.25(b)(9); and,

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department by Case Number at <https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/> or 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code to establish the Large Vehicle Refuge Permit program to exempt certain Large Vehicles, as defined, from applicable parking prohibitions if the permittee complies with conditions of the permit, including

certification by City departments that the permittee was present in the City on May 31, 2025, is experiencing vehicular homelessness, accepting services, and complying with good neighbor policies, and will accept the City's offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing when available; expand parking restrictions for Commercial Vehicles and making such violations towable; providing that all of these provisions are operative once the Board of Supervisors finally adopts companion legislation; and making corresponding technical corrections; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors directs staff to identify cases for exemptions and as necessary, create a permit program that would exempt other specified Large Vehicles with valid permits from these restrictions for short durations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors finds that, as conditioned, Large Vehicles parked in compliance with the permit's conditions will not adversely affect parking conditions for residents and merchants; and be it further

RESOLVED, That with adoption, to the extent that other SFMTA towing policies regarding Recreational Large Vehicles conflict with this resolution, this Resolution takes precedence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors directs the Director of Transportation to work with City agencies to evaluate reasonable accommodation requests from individuals with disabilities living in Large Vehicles; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors directs the Director to, prior to implementing the Program, establish a signage plan that uses permanent signage and puts forward a comprehensive and well-articulated plan for where entrance signs and additional signs will be posted.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 17, 2025.



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Secretary to the Board of Directors  
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

[Transportation Code – Large Vehicle Permits and Commercial Vehicle Restrictions]

**Resolution amending Division II of the Transportation Code to establish the Large Vehicle Refuge Permit program to exempt certain Large Vehicles, as defined, from applicable parking prohibitions if the permittee complies with conditions of the permit, including certification by City departments that the permittee was present in the City on May 31, 2025, is experiencing vehicular homelessness, accepting services, and complying with good neighbor policies, and will accept the City’s offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing when available; expand parking restrictions for Commercial Vehicles and making such violations towable; providing that all of these provisions are operative once the Board of Supervisors finally adopts companion legislation; and making corresponding technical corrections.**

NOTE: **Additions** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
**Deletions** are in *strike-through italics Times New Roman font*.  
**Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.  
**Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.  
**Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

The Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors of the City and County of San Francisco enacts the following regulations:

Section 1. Article 900 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by revising Section 901 and adding Section 917, to read as follows:

**SEC. 901. DEFINITIONS.**

As used in this Article 900, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

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**Electric Vehicle.** A motor vehicle that uses a plug-in battery to provide all of the motive power of the vehicle.

*Household.* *All persons occupying a Large Vehicle.*

*Large Vehicle.* *A vehicle over twenty-two feet in length or seven feet in height, or camp trailers, fifth-wheel travel trailers, house cars, trailer coaches, mobilehomes, recreational vehicles, or semi-trailers as defined by the California Vehicle Code and Health and Safety Code.*

*Large Vehicle Buyback Program.* *A City program to purchase Large Vehicles from individuals who have accepted the City's offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing.*

*Large Vehicle Refuge Permit.* *A permit issued by the SFMTA to a Household that authorizes a specified Large Vehicle to park without being subject to the two-hour parking limit described in Transportation Code, Division I, Section 7.2.54 and subject to all permit conditions. Large Vehicle Refuge Permits are not subject to the annual renewal provisions under Division II, Section 902 subsection (a) or the prior payments provisions in subsection (c) of that section.*

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**SEC. 917. LARGE VEHICLE REFUGE PERMIT.**

**(a) General Permit Requirements.**

*(1) No more than one Large Vehicle Refuge Permit ("Permit") shall be issued to a Large Vehicle and Household. A Permit may not be transferred to a different Large Vehicle or Household.*

*(2) A Large Vehicle Refuge Permit does not guarantee or reserve to the Permittee an on-street parking space.*

(b) **Permit Privileges.** Display of a valid Permit shall exempt the Permittee from the two-hour parking restriction in Division I, Section 7.2.54.

(c) **Duration.** A Permit shall ~~expire six months~~ have a six-month term from the date of issuance, or and shall expire when the City has made the Permittee an offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing, whichever occurs first. A Permit may shall be extended once for up to six-months if unless the Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“DHSH”), or their designee, certifies to the Director of Transportation (“Director”) that the City has not made the Permittee an offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing. A Permit may be extended further at the discretion of the Director in consultation with DHSH.

(d) **Application Requirements.**

(1) An applicant for a Permit or renewal of a Permit shall complete an application that:

(A) Identifies the individuals in the Household;

(B) Identifies the Large Vehicle by the license plate and vehicle identification number, or if there is no license plate by the vehicle identification number, make, model, and color.

(2) To be eligible for a permit, the applicant must have been present in San Francisco and occupying the Large Vehicle as of May 31, 2025, as reflected in the City’s Large Vehicle database. If the Large Vehicle is not in the database, an applicant may provide evidence establishing they meet this eligibility requirement. The SFMTA shall create a process for applicants to provide evidence to meet this requirement.

(3) Applicants must agree to engage consistently in case management services provided by City departments, including but not limited to the DHSH, the Department of Emergency Management (“DEM”), and the Police Department (“SFPD”), such as participation in intake and

assessment, creation of individual service plans, connections to employment, coordination of move-in logistics, weekly or as needed follow up with outreach case managers, and participation in crisis intervention.

(4) Applicants must agree that once the City makes an offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing, the applicant will either participate in the City's Large Vehicle Buyback Program if eligible, or ensure that the Large Vehicle is not parked in violation of Division I, Section 7.2.54. If the applicant is renting the Large Vehicle, they must agree to remove their belongings, vacate the vehicle, and provide the City with the contact information of the vehicle's owner.

**(e) Permit Conditions.**

(1) Permittees must comply with all other parking restrictions in the California Vehicle Code and San Francisco Transportation Code. These include, but are not limited to, street cleaning, payment of parking meters, parking in front of driveways, parking in violation of color curb restrictions, parking over seventy-two hours, and parking in excess of the posted time in a Residential Parking Permit Area.

(2) Permittees must maintain certification by DSHS that the Permittee is experiencing vehicular homelessness and is willing to accept, and is accepting, services and will accept the City's offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing.

(3) Permittees must allow the Department of Public Works ("DPW") to clear debris around the Large Vehicle. City departments, including but not limited to DSHS, DEM, and SFPD, may consult with DPW to determine if the Permittee has complied with this requirement.

(4) Permittees must adhere to a Good Neighbor Policy to be defined by DSHS. A copy of this policy shall be posted online and will be provided to the Permittee at the time of Permit application and upon request.

(f) **Permit Revocation.** Revocation of Permit shall subject the Large Vehicle to citation and removal under Division I, Section 7.2.54.

(1) SFMTA may revoke a Permit for any of the following reasons:

(A) The Permittee has violated a condition of the Permit;

(B) DSHS has informed the SFMTA in writing that it has revoked its certification under subsection (e)(2) of this Section 917;

(C) SFMTA has determined that the Permittee provided false information on the Permit application;

(D) The Permittee attempts to transfer the Permit to another Large Vehicle or Household; or

(E) The City has made the Permittee an offer of non-congregate interim or permanent housing and the Permittee has not accepted the offer.

(2) The Director is authorized to promulgate hearing and review procedures applicable to any appeal of a decision to revoke a Permit. Such procedures may also apply to SFMTA's decision to deny a Permit application.

(3) SFMTA shall make reasonable efforts to give seventy-two hours of notice to a Permittee prior to revocation.

Section 2. Article 500 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by revising Section 502, to read as follows:

**SEC. 502. COMMERCIAL VEHICLES; PARKING LIMITED IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS.**

(a) Transportation Code, Division I, Section 7.2.84 (Commercial Vehicle Parking in Certain District) shall apply only to a vehicle over twenty-two feet in length or seven feet in height ~~with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating or a gross combination weight rating in excess of 10,000 pounds~~ while Parked on any Street in a Residential District, Parkmerced District or Public

Use District, including ~~an~~ RH-1(D), RH-1, RH-2, RH-3, RM-1, RM-2, RM-3, RM-4, PM-R, PM-MU1, PM-MU2, PM-S, PM-CF, PM-OS, or P Use District.

(b) Any Police Officer or Parking Control Officer is authorized, in accordance with all applicable requirements of this Code and the California Vehicle Code, to remove or cause to have removed any vehicle that is parked in violation of Section 7.2.84 of Division I of the Transportation Code where permanent or temporary signs giving notice of the removal are posted pursuant to Section 22651(n) of the California Vehicle Code.

Section 3. Article 200 of Division II of the Transportation Code is hereby amended by revising Section 201, to read as follows:

**SEC. 201. PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING PARKING AND TRAFFIC CONTROLS.**

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(c) **SFMTA Board of Directors' Action Required.** The following Parking and traffic measures may not be implemented without prior approval of the SFMTA Board of Directors, taking into consideration the recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer:

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~~(15) Designate locations where Parking by vehicles over twenty two feet in length or seven feet in height, or camp trailers, fifth wheel travel trailers, house cars, trailer coaches, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, or semi trailers are prohibited from parking between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m.~~

~~(1615)~~ Except as provided in Sections 204 and 205, close a street to vehicular traffic for non-ISCOTT permitted events authorized by Division I, Article 6.

(~~17~~16) Addition, removal, or modification of a street to the Slow Streets Program as set forth in Section 207. To add a street to the Slow Streets Program, the Board of Directors must make the findings required by California Vehicle Code Section 21101(f).

(~~18~~17) Designate stalls or spaces on a public street for the exclusive purpose of charging and parking a vehicle that is connected for electric charging purposes.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective 31 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves this resolution.

Section 5: Operative Date. This resolution shall be operative only if the related ordinance introduced at the Board of Supervisors on June 10, 2025 and contained in Board File No. 250655 is finally adopted by the Board of Supervisors. If that ordinance is finally adopted, then this Resolution shall be operative on the effective date of that ordinance.

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Section 6. Scope of Resolution. In enacting this resolution, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, letters, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Transportation Code that are explicitly shown in this resolution as additions or deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the resolution.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
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Secretary to the Board of Directors  
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