

The City of Seattle
Ordinance 127484
Council Bill 121264

An ordinance relating to parking payment devices coin revenue collection; amending Section 11.16.480 of the Seattle Municipal Code to transfer responsibility for the physical collection of coin revenue from parking payment devices from the Department of Finance and Administrative Services to the Seattle Department of Transportation.

Recitals:

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) oversees the installation, maintenance, and operations of the City's parking payment devices.

While card and mobile payment account for the majority of paid parking revenues, a small percentage (one percent or less) is paid by coin.

The Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS), through its Office of City Finance (OCF), has housed the Parking Meter Collections Team that has been responsible for retrieving physical coin revenue from paid parking equipment.

OCF no longer can maintain sufficient staffing capacity to perform coin collection operations.

SDOT's Parking Pay Station Shop already coordinates technician responses and manages routine maintenance of parking payment devices and integrating coin

revenue collection duties into the Parking Pay Station team would ensure coin revenue is collected with improved efficiency. Therefore,

Be it ordained by The City of Seattle as follows:

Section 1. Section 11.16.480 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 123361, is amended as follows:

11.16.480 Director of Finance and Administrative Services to collect parking payment device revenues((-))

The payments required to be deposited in parking payment devices as provided in Chapter 11.76 are levied and assessed as fees to cover the costs of installations, inspection, supervision, regulation, and maintenance involved in the control of traffic and parking upon the streets (~~and the duly authorized agents of the Director of Finance and Administrative Services shall, from time to time, collect, and deposit the same in the General Fund~~)). The Seattle Department of Transportation is authorized to physically collect coin payments from parking payment devices, temporarily store them in a secure location, and securely transfer them to the Department of Finance and Administrative Services. The City Treasury, through the Department of Finance and Administrative Services, shall retain responsibility for the official deposit and accounting of all coin revenue from paid parking, consistent with Section 3.39.020.

This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections
1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

Passed by the City Council and signed in open session in authentication of its
passage on August 4, 2026.



President _____ of the City Council

Approved _____ on August 6, 2026.



Katie B. Wilson, Mayor

Attested on August 6, 2026.



Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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