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Ordinance amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title V: Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program, § 549.08: Visitor Permits; Non-Resident Permits, so as to relate the issuance of residential parking permits for short-term rentals to the issuance of licenses by the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections authorizing the operation of short-term rentals in the City of Pittsburgh.

The Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Pittsburgh Code, Title V; Traffic, Article VII: Parking, Chapter 549: Residential Parking Permit Program, § 549.08: Visitor Permits; Non-Resident Permits, is therefore hereby amended as follows:

- a) The Parking Permit Officer is authorized to issue not more than one (1) visitor permit per unit in a residential parking permit area. The visitor permit shall grant all the rights and privileges of a residential parking permit, with the following exceptions:
 - 1. Visitor permits shall only be eligible for use for up to three (3) consecutive days with enforcement hours then must not be used for one (1) day with enforcement hours before use may resume again, and the same license plate may be assigned to a visitor permit on a maximum of twelve (12) days in a calendar month.
- b) The Parking Permit Officer is authorized to issue non-resident permits for the benefit of non-residents who are required to have access to units in a residential parking permit area and who otherwise are not suitable for the visitor permit program under the following conditions and in the following forms:
 - 1. Medical non-resident permits. Medical non-resident permits may be issued for motor vehicles that are required to be parked at a residential unit for the administration of medical care, medical -related quality-of-life care, or end-of-life care. A medical non-resident permit may only be issued to a certified resident and only after a letter from the patient's doctor is provided to the Parking Permit Officer confirming that applicable in-home care is required medical non-resident permits shall need to be renewed on a month-to-month basis or as otherwise determined by the Parking Permit Officer. Medical non-resident permits shall have no fee.
 - 2. Contractor non-resident permits. Contractor non-resident permits may only be issued to motor vehicles registered to the contractor or the contractor's business for periods of time that they are performing work permitted by the City of Pittsburgh. To receive a contractor non-resident permit for a particular residential parking permit area, a contractor must provide the following:

a. Their contractor's license;

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b. The registration card for each vehicle they wish to receive the non-resident permit; and

c. The City of Pittsburgh permit authorizing the work to be done in the given residential parking permit area.

Contractor non-resident permits shall need to be renewed by the applicant on a weekly basis or as otherwise determined by the Parking Permit Officer. Contractor non-resident permits shall have a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per week, per motor vehicle, per residential parking permit area.

- 3. Childcare non-resident permits. Childcare non-resident permits may only be issued to certified residents who require daytime childcare. These non-resident permits may be issued to certified residents who do not otherwise have off-street parking available to them at their residential unit and who provide the following:
 - a. Documentation proving their guardianship of a child twelve (12) years of age or under; and
 - b. A valid registration card for the motor vehicle to which the non-resident permit will be assigned.

One (1) childcare non-resident permit may be issued per residential unit at a time. Childcare non-resident permits may be issued annually at a maximum, but shall be chargeable by month, and shall have a fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per month per motor vehicle.

- 4. Rental property owner or manager non-resident permits. A person who offers real estate for rent in a residential parking permit area, who otherwise does not qualify for a residential parking permit in the subject area, and who does not otherwise have off-street parking available within the given residential parking permit area may receive a rental property owner or manager non-resident permit. Such a person may receive a rental property owner or manager non-resident permit after providing the following:
 - a. The registration card for each motor vehicle they wish to receive the non-resident permit;
 - b. Documentation of ownership of rental property within the residential parking permit area either personally or through a company they own or manage or an agreement with the owners of the property to act as property management for said rental property(ies);
 - c. Documentation that the real estate is offered as rental property; and
 - d. Proof that the unit or property is registered with the City's rental registration program.

A rental property owner or manager may only receive one (1) non-resident permit to be assigned to

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a motor vehicle registered in their own name for each residential parking permit area wherein they own rental property, and one (1) non-resident permit for each motor vehicle registered to a company they own whose primary business interest is rental property for each residential parking permit area wherein they own rental property, up to a maximum of one (1) vehicle if the rental property owner or manager owns or manages one (1) to five (5) rental units, two (2) vehicles if they own or manage six (6) to ten (10) units, and four (4) vehicles if they own or manage over ten (10) units. A separate non-resident permit is required for each residential parking permit area that the rental property owner or manager has property within.

Rental property owner or manager non-resident permit may be issued annually at a maximum, but shall be chargeable annually or by month, and shall have a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per month per motor vehicle or two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per year per motor vehicle. Annual purchases shall not be refunded or pro-rated.

- 5. Short-term rental permit. An annual short-term rental permit may be granted to an owner or property manager of a short-term rental who does not otherwise have off-street parking available in the given residential permit parking area. Such a permit may be granted after providing the following documentation:
 - a. Documentation of ownership of short-term rental property within the residential parking permit area either personally or through a company they own or manage or an agreement with the owners of the property to act as property management for said short -term rental property(ies);
 - b. Documentation that the real estate is offered as rental property; and
 - c. Valid license issued by the Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections authorizing the operation of the short-term rental.
 - d. Proof that the short-term rental does not have available off-street parking available.
- 6. Short-term rental permit guest passes. The Parking Permit Officer shall be authorized to issue guest passes to individual motor vehicles as requested by the short-term rental permit holder. On a daily basis, no more than two (2) guest passes will be granted per short-term rental permit. Individual passes shall be granted per vehicle at a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) per vehicle. A pass shall provide parking for up to one (1) week. An individual motor vehicle may not park in a RPP area for more than eight (8) weeks annually with a short-term rental guest pass.

The permit holder will be required to provide the following to be granted a guest pass:

- a. The license plate number of the tenant's motor vehicle.
- b. Proof of length of stay.

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7. The Parking Permit Officer is authorized to issue customer service non-resident permits on a limited and short-term basis at no charge to a person while they are working in good faith to meet the requirements of any of the permits or non-resident permits authorized under this chapter. These non-resident permits shall be limited to seven (7) days in length.

8. Fees for non-resident permits shall reflect fee amounts that are assigned in this section until fiscal year 2022, when the Parking Permit Officer shall forward a suggested fee schedule to the Director of Finance for inclusion in the City of Pittsburgh budget pursuant to the aforementioned provisions of this Code.

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