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This ordinance suspends the application of Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, as applied to car2go in order to allow for the implementation of a twelve (12) month Car-Sharing Pilot Program. Section 2151.18(a) currently does not allow parking of car-sharing vehicles in residential permit parking districts. This pilot program will allow car2go vehicles to legally park in residential permit parking districts approved by the Director of Public Service. In addition, Section 2155.05(a) establishes that meters are to be paid at the time of parking by the person parking. The pilot program will allow the car-sharing company to directly pay the City for car-sharing customers' parking meter time during this pilot program.

To suspend application of Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, as applied to car2go; to authorize the Director of Public Service to create and implement the twelve (12) month Car-Sharing Pilot Program; and to authorize the Director of Public Service to promulgate rules and regulations pertaining to the twelve (12) month Car-Sharing Pilot Program.

WHEREAS, a goal of the city of Columbus is to increase mobility options for its residents; and

WHEREAS, to further the goal of increased mobility options for its residents, the City desires to conduct a twelve (12) month Car-Sharing Pilot Program with car2go, a private enterprise; and

WHEREAS, undertaking a Car-Sharing Pilot Program will enable the City to receive constructive feedback from stakeholders, city staff, and local residents in an effort to increase mobility options; and

WHEREAS, the City and car2go has received initial support from civic associations, business associations and area commissions in the area proposed for the pilot; and

WHEREAS, the City will be fully compensated directly by car2go for lost parking meter revenue and residential parking permits during the twelve (12) month car-sharing pilot program; and

WHEREAS, at its August 13, 2013 meeting, the City of Columbus Transportation and Pedestrian Commissions recommended the pilot program; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City to suspend the application of Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, as applied to car2go in order to allow for the implementation of a Car-Sharing Pilot Program; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the prohibitions contained in Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, shall be suspended and shall not apply to car2go for a limited duration as set forth in this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Director of Public Service is hereby authorized and directed to create and implement a Car-Sharing Pilot Program, which shall include provisions for the complete reimbursement of lost parking meter revenue from car2go to the City.

SECTION 3. That the Director of Public Service, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into agreements and to issue permits to car2go to operate on public roadways and to park at public parking meters and in residential permit parking districts, and to receive reimbursement for lost parking meter revenue during the pilot in a manner approved by the Director of Public Service until November 1, 2014.

SECTION 4. That the Director of Public Service is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate administrative rules and regulations to implement said Car-Sharing Pilot Program.

SECTION 5. That the suspension of Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as applied to car2go provided for in this ordinance shall remain in effect until November 1, 2014.

SECTION 6. That the Director of Public Service shall provide written notice to all city agencies that Section 2151.18(a) and Section 2155.05(a) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as applied to car2go has been suspended as provided for in this ordinance.

SECTION 7. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period provided by law.