

Ordinance 46 of 2009

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SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE

No. 46 of 2009

(Enacting and Amending Provisions in Title 12 to Allow Car Sharing)

An Ordinance Enacting Sections 12.04.075, *Salt Lake City Code*, Pertaining to Definition of “Car Sharing Vehicle,” and 12.56.375, *Salt Lake City Code*, Pertaining to Car Sharing Parking Establishment and Signs, and Amending Section 12.56.520, *Salt Lake City Code*, Pertaining to Using Streets for Storage Prohibited.

WHEREAS, the City, Utah Transit Authority, and the University of Utah, collaborated together over many months to bring car sharing to the city and the Wasatch Front;

WHEREAS, the Wasatch Front itself makes up nearly 80% of Utah’s population with many residents choosing to live in the downtown, urban areas of the city;

WHEREAS, car sharing provides an alternative to vehicle ownership and use of public transportation by providing a less expensive option than vehicle ownership while providing more flexibility than strict public transportation schedules, thus allowing city residents greater mobility without the additional burdens of vehicle ownership;

WHEREAS, car sharing accomplishes many goals, including:

- improves air quality by reducing the number of vehicle miles traveled;
- increases public transportation use and connections and other forms of sustainable transportation;
- provides an alternative to the high costs of owning a personal vehicle;
- encourages more transit oriented development and multi-modal travel;
- eases traffic congestion and decreases demand for new parking;

WHEREAS, car sharing supports the long term economic, environmental and social sustainability of the region through balanced transportation that encourages wise land use;

WHEREAS, car sharing may hold future potential to replace some dedicated City fleet vehicles with shared cars;

WHEREAS, car sharing is consistent with the City’s goal of creating a greener, more sustainable, and environmentally friendly city; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has concluded that the proposed provisions are in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 12.04.075 of the *Salt Lake City Code*, pertaining to definition of “car sharing vehicle” be, and hereby is, enacted to read as follows:

12.04.075 Car Sharing Vehicle:

“Car sharing vehicle” means a vehicle that is contracted with the City to provide a service to the public as a car sharing vehicle.

SECTION 2. That Section 12.56.375 of the *Salt Lake City Code*, pertaining to Car Sharing Parking Establishment and Signs be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

12.56.375 Car Sharing Parking Establishment and Signs:

The city transportation engineer is authorized to establish car sharing vehicle parking stalls on public streets in such places and in such manner as the city transportation engineer shall determine to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public, and every car sharing vehicle parking stall shall be designated by appropriate signs or markings installed by the city transportation engineer.

SECTION 3. That Section 12.56.520 of the *Salt Lake City Code*, pertaining to Using Streets for Storage Prohibited be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

12.56.520 Using Streets for Storage Prohibited:

No person shall park a vehicle, boat, trailer or other item upon any street for a period of time longer than forty eight (48) hours, except for a car sharing vehicle parked within a designated car sharing vehicle parking stall pursuant to this Title.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective on the date of its first publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah this 14th day of July, 2009.

Bill No. 46 of 2009.

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