

ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15 (“MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”), ARTICLE 3 (“PARKING METERS, PARKING PERMITS, AND MUNICIPAL ATTENDANT PARKING LOTS”) OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE TO ESTABLISH A \$0.25 PER KILOWATT-HOUR (KWH) USER FEE FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
PURSUANT TO THE VILLAGE BOARD’S DIRECTION AT ITS MAY 14, 2024 MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park (“Village”) is a home rule unit of government as provided by the provisions of Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Village’s home rule authority and Section 11-71-8 of the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-71-8, the Village may charge rates for its provision of parking facilities in the Village and the use thereof; and

WHEREAS, more than 25% of Oak Park’s greenhouse gas emissions are due to conventional cars and trucks, making this the second largest driver of climate change in the Village; and

WHEREAS, as outlined in the Village’s Climate Action Plan, *Climate Ready Oak Park*, the Village strives to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 60% by 2030 and 100% by 2050, becoming a net-zero, or carbon-neutral community; and

WHEREAS, one such action to achieve the 2030 and 2050 goals, as outlined in Goal TS02 of *Climate Ready Oak Park*, is to increase access to electric vehicle charging infrastructure, particularly for residents without private parking; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Village Board’s direction on May 14, 2024, the Village desires to establish a user fee to recoup operational and maintenance costs associated with electric vehicle charging stations and create a revenue stream to provide for the expansion of this infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees have determined to amend Section 15-3-18 and Article 3 as set forth in this Ordinance pursuant to the Village’s home rule authority and Section 11-71-8 of the Illinois Municipal Code to establish a \$0.25 per Kilowatt-Hour (kWh) user fee for electric vehicle charging stations owned and operated by the Village of Oak Park.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois, in the exercise of their home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated. The above recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

Section 2. Village Code Amended. Chapter 15 (“Motor Vehicles and Traffic”), Article 3 (“Parking Meters, Parking Permits, and Municipal Attendant Parking Lots”), Section 15-3-18 (“Parking Rates; Parking Meters, Pay by Space Machines, Village Operated Parking Structures, Permit Extended Pass, Valet and Daytime On Street Parking”) of the Oak Park Village Code is amended by adding the underlined language and deleting the overstricken language to read as follows:

15-3-18: PARKING RATES; PARKING METERS, PAY BY SPACE MACHINES, VILLAGE OPERATED PARKING STRUCTURES, PERMIT, EXTENDED PASS, VALET AND DAYTIME ON STREET PERMIT PARKING:

Persons parking vehicles in Village owned and/or operated parking spaces designated by the Village for use by the general public as metered pay by plate, Village operated parking structures, permit parking, overnight pass parking shall pay a fee to the Village in accordance with the following rate schedule:

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O. Electric Vehicle Charging Station User Fee

1. A fee of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per kilowatt-hour (kWh) of energy dispensed shall be paid by a user of any of the Village’s publicly-accessible electric vehicle charging stations.
2. The user shall be responsible for payment of any applicable convenience, transaction, processing or taxes that are assessed on the transaction.
3. The Village shall determine the software and hardware by which the fee is collected.

⊖ P. All parking charges herein shall be subject to any additional applicable taxes unless otherwise set forth above.

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Section 3. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its approval, passage and publication as provided by law.

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ADOPTED this 9th day of July, 2024, pursuant to a roll call vote at follows:

Voting	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
President Scaman				
Trustee Buchanan				
Trustee Enyia				
Trustee Parakkat				
Trustee Robinson				
Trustee Straw				
Trustee Wesley				

APPROVED this 9th day of July, 2024.

Vicki Scaman, Village President

ATTEST

Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk

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Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk