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DATE: 07/21/2011

NATURE OF INCIDENT: New Ordinance-Advisory

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE :08/01/2011

INCIDENT TIME:

INCIDENT LOCATION: City of Duluth

SUBJECT: New Ordinance for Disability Parking-enforcement beginning 08/01/11

BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen

A new ordinance limiting free meter parking to four hours for those with disability permits will be enforced starting August 1, 2011. The ordinance, passed unanimously by the Duluth City Council in November 2010, is modeled after state legislation passed in 2008.

In addition to the four hour limit for free parking during times of enforcement, the city also will offer a 50 percent discount on monthly fees for contract parkers with disabilities at the following City ramps:

MDR (Medical District Ramp) 302 E. 1st St

Fond du Lac Casino parking ramp - 129 E. Superior St.

Tech Village Ramp - 14 E. 1st St.

For information regarding the above ramps, call 730-5179.

Those with severe disabilities who are employed and need to park adjacent to work will be able to apply for a special needs permit. They will require medical verification of a severe disability, a much higher level of disability than required to obtain the basic disability permit issued by the state. Once approved and for a \$25 per month fee, those individuals will be able to park all day on the street to accommodate their access needs.

For additional information and to apply for the Special Needs Permit please contact the City of Duluth Human Rights Office at 730-5630.