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## **MOTION**

Elimination of Rush Hour Parking Restrictions

WE MOVE that, the Administration provide a report within thirty (30) days outlining the feasibility, impact, and implementation of removing the city's rush hour parking restrictions throughout the entire city.

Comcilmember Reggie Harris

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Councilmember Mark Jeffreys

## **STATEMENT**

The City of Cincinnati is amidst a multi-faceted effort to improve pedestrian safety and create more complete streets through both street design and traffic enforcement laws. Just last weekend, we saw the impact of decades of failed policy when two pedestrians were killed by motorists in one day. Street parking acts as both a protective barrier for pedestrians as well as a natural traffic-calming tool. For four hours every day, we open our streets to allow for cars to speed through neighborhoods going to and from work. 24-hour parking pilot programs in neighborhoods like Northside have proven so successful they were adopted permanently. It is time to consider this as an option for the whole city.

In addition, the city and local businesses take a revenue loss by not allowing metered parking to be used where applicable during peak hours. These are prime times for coffee shops, restaurants, and other businesses. By allowing for parking during peak hours, we are once again making them more accessible to citizens and workers. This aligns with council's long-term goal of improving the vitality of neighborhood business districts.

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