

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SANTA BARBARA ADDING CHAPTER 10.73 TO THE  
SANTA BARBARA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH A  
CARSHARE VEHICLE PERMIT PROGRAM

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DOES ORDAIN AS  
FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings

California Vehicle Code Section 22507.1 authorizes cities and counties, by ordinance or resolution, to designate certain streets or portions of streets for the exclusive parking privilege of motor vehicles participating in a carshare program. The City Council finds and determines that it is in the public interest to make street space available to promote sustainable transportation practices, alleviate traffic congestion, decrease automobile ownership and decrease vehicle miles of travel. Moreover, the carshare requirements established in this chapter are intended to achieve the goals of the Circulation Element of Plan Santa Barbara, the City's General Plan.

Section 2. The Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to add Chapter 10.73 to read as follows:

Chapter 10.73 Carshare Vehicle Permit Program

10.73.010 Definitions.

The following words or phrases as used in this chapter shall have the following meanings.

(a) Carshare Vehicle. "Carshare vehicle" shall mean a motor vehicle that is operated as part of a regional fleet by a public or private car sharing company or organization which provides hourly or daily car sharing service to its members.

(b) City Carshare Program. "City Carshare Program" shall mean a program under which the City designates on-street parking spaces or portions of streets, or publicly owned off-street parking facility spaces or portions of such facilities, for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying a Public Works Department issued Carshare Permit.

(c) Carshare Permit. "Carshare Permit" shall mean a permit issued by the City for a carshare vehicle operated by a Carshare Organization.

(d) Carshare Organization. "Carshare Organization" shall mean a public or private carsharing company or organization that is operating within the City pursuant to the authority granted by a duly authorized written agreement with the City of Santa Barbara.

#### 10.73.020 Designation of Carshare Parking Spaces.

The City Traffic Engineer is authorized to designate, via posting of signs and/or curb markings, streets or portions of streets, or publicly owned off-street parking facilities or portions of the facilities, to be reserved for the exclusive parking of carshare vehicles.

#### 10.73.030 Issuance of Permits.

The Public Works Director shall issue carshare permits to qualifying vehicles of a carshare organization. The number of permits issued to a carshare organization shall be made at the sole discretion of the Public Works Director.

#### 10.73.040 Carshare Permit Required.

No person shall stop, park or leave standing any vehicle in a place designated for the exclusive parking of carshare vehicles participating in the City carshare program, unless the vehicle has a valid carshare permit displayed as directed by the City.

#### 10.73.050 Posting of Carshare Vehicle Parking Spaces.

The City Traffic Engineer shall cause appropriate signs to be erected and/or markings in such street or publicly owned off-street parking facilities, indicating prominently thereon the parking restrictions and stating that motor vehicles with valid permit or designation shall be exempt from the restrictions. The City Traffic Engineer is further authorized to include notice on any sign installed pursuant to this section that vehicles left standing in violation of such sign may be removed and towed pursuant to California Vehicle Code section 22651. The provisions of this section shall not apply until signs or markings giving adequate notice thereof are in place.

### Section 3. CEQA

This ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations) because the activity will not result in a direct or reasonable foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and Section 15060(c)(3) because the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.