



# AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN, TEXAS

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# Background

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- The Texas Transportation Code authorizes certain exemptions for veterans and military award recipients from paying parking meter fees charged by a governmental authority, and has provided that a governmental authority may provide by ordinance or order, that the exemption in Texas Transportation Code, Section 681.008(b) also applies to payment of a fee or penalty imposed by the governmental authority for parking in a parking garage or lot, or in a space with a limitation on the length of time for parking.

# Background

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- On June 9, 2015, the City Council formally adopted an amendment to Section 28-137 of the City of Killeen Code of Ordinances to adopt the fee exemptions provided for in section 681.008(b) of the Texas Transportation Code for parking in the lots at the Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport.

# Discussion

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- This proposed amendment to Section 28-137 - Parking at Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Airport updates the airport name to Killeen Regional Airport, updates the title of the Airport Director to Executive Director of Aviation, and amends the exemptions of parking fees at the airport as provided for in section 681.008(b) of the Texas Transportation Code.

# Discussion

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- Specifically, the amendment provides that vehicles equipped with license plates specified in the Transportation Code are exempt from payments of parking fees for the Long-Term Parking Lot only. However, vehicles equipped with the specified plates and that also have the handicap symbol or a handicap placard affixed to the vehicle's rear-view mirror are exempt from payment of parking fees in both the Long-Term and Short-Term parking lots.

# Alternatives

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- ❑ Do not approve the amendment of chapter 28 of the code of ordinances.
- ❑ Approve the amendment of chapter 28 of the code of ordinances.

# Recommendation

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- Recommend adoption of the proposed ordinance amending Chapter 28 of the City of Killeen, Texas, by updating the name of the airport as listed in the Chapter and amending the applicability of the exemption of the parking fees at the Killeen Regional Airport.