ORDINANCE NO. 20140501-034

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 12-5 TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS AUTHORIZING COMMERCIAL SERVICE VEHICLES TO CONDUCT LOADING AND UNLOADING ACTIVITIES FROM A METERED SPACE, COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONE, OR CURB-SIDE TRAVEL LANE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Chapter 12-5 (*Stopping*, *Standing*, *and Parking*) of the City Code is amended to add a new Section 12-5-12 to read as follows:

§ 12-5-12 COMMERCIAL VEHICLES LOADING OR UNLOADING FROM A METERED SPACE, COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONE, OR CURB-SIDE TRAVEL LANE.

- (A) This section applies to commercial vehicles loading or unloading within the Downtown Austin Project Coordination Zone, as defined in the Austin Utilities Criteria Manual, Monday through Saturday.
- (B) The director of the Austin Transportation Department may issue a permit to an owner of a commercial vehicle to allow the use of the vehicle to load or unload its cargo from a metered space, commercial loading zone, or curbside travel lane.
- (C) Permits issued under Subsection (B) of this section:
 - (1) must be visible in the commercial vehicle at the time of loading or unloading; and
 - (2) may not allow deliveries from locations where there is only a single lane in one direction or from a transit priority lane;
 - (3) may not allow deliveries from locations where bicycle lanes would be inaccessible to bicycle riders during loading or unloading.
- (D) Fees for permits issued under Subsection (B) of this section shall be established by separate ordinance.
- (E) The Director shall limit hours of permitted loading and unloading in order to minimize impacts to congestion during peak traffic hours.

PART 2. This ordinance takes effect on May 12, 2014.

PASSED AND APPROVED

Mayor

City Attorney

City Clerk