



# Commercial Loading Zones



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# Commercial Loading – Curbside Demand

## 1. Commercial deliveries

- US DOT-registered vehicles / weekdays

## 2. Service vehicles

- Vans, often with equipment that can't fit in garages, longer-term parking needs

## 3. Traditional Package deliveries eg UPS

- Box trucks / weekdays

## 4. “Express” deliveries eg Amazon Prime

- small vehicles without US DOT # / all-hours

## 5. Ride Hail / “TNCs”

- Passenger cars used for commercial purposes

## 6. App-based deliveries/ “ODDs”

- Passenger cars used for commercial purposes

## 7. Grocery deliveries

- Refrigerated box trucks / all-hours



# Commercial Loading - Current Options

- **Metered**

- Commercial Loading Zones
- Metered Parking (only with loading zone permit 10am-2pm)

- **Free**

- PUDO Zones (short term only)
- COVID PUDOs (short term only)
- No Parking Zones (short term only)

- **Quasi-Legal**

- Residential & non-regulated parking
- Bus stops
- Double parking



# Commercial Loading Zones - Overview

- Requested by businesses when off-street loading options not available
- **600+ zones** citywide
- Converted to metered in 2015
- Payment by:
  - Annual permit decal: \$323/yr
  - Daily permit decal: \$25/day
  - Mobile payment: \$2.30+/hr
- Permit up to **2 hours** of parking
  - An attempt to balance delivery needs & short-term service vehicle parking needs
- Exclusive use by **commercial vehicles**:  
Any four-wheeled vehicle that is
  - longer than twenty-two (22) feet;
  - or used for transporting commercial loads or property;
  - or described as a commercial vehicle on its certificate of title;
  - or has an irremovable commercial advertisement or insignia.



# Commercial Loading Zones - Opportunities

- Commercial vehicle definition covers ODDs & ride-hails
- Expand enforcement of PUDOs & Commercial Loading Zones
- Evaluate separate commercial loading zones & parking zones
- Streamline curbside approach:
  - Transition to digital permits
  - Transition to LPR enforcement
  - Integrate with Mobility Wallet for per-use fees & usage data



# Commercial Loading vs Parking Zone Concept



# Commercial Loading Zone – Design Options



1. (above) Curbside bike lane swaps places with loading zone

2. (right) Loading zone on far side of curbside bike lane





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