## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE (No. 5) 1974

## No. 66 of 1974

## An Ordinance to amend the Local Government Ordinance 1954 as amended

[Assented to 24 October 1974]

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia as follows:

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Local Government short title Ordinance (No. 5) 1974.
- 2. The Local Government Ordinance 1954 as amended is Principal in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
  - 3. Section 5 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

Definitions

- (a) by omitting the definition of "metered space" and substituting the following definition:

   "metered space' means a parking space in relation to which a device is installed by authority of a council, being a device that—
  - (a) indicates whether a fee has been paid and the period that has elapsed since the fee was paid; or
  - (b) upon the insertion of a coin, issues a parking voucher;";
- (b) by inserting in the definition of "parking space", after "road", the words "or public place within the meaning of Part XVII"; and
- (c) by inserting after the definition of "parking space" the following definition:
  - "'parking voucher' means a document issued by a parking meter bearing an imprint indicating the date and time of issue;".

**4.** Before section 348 of the Principal Ordinance the following section is inserted in Part XVII:

Interpretation

"347A. In this Part, unless the contrary intention appears, 'public place' means a place open to, or used by, the public, and includes land leased to a municipality under the *Special Purposes Leases Ordinance* and land vested in the council of a municipality under section 339A.".

Road and traffic

- 5. Section 349 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—
  - (a) by inserting after "roads" in paragraph (70A) "and public places"; and
  - (b) by inserting after paragraph (70c) the following paragraph:
    - "(70<sub>D</sub>) relating to the display of parking vouchers on vehicles standing or parking in metered spaces;".

Proof of parking offences

- **6.**(1) Section 354A(6)(g)(ii) of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting "10 days" and substituting "14 days".
- (2) Section 354A(10)(a) of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting "10 days" and substituting "14 days".

Averments as to official traffic signs

- 7. Section 354B of the Principal Ordinance is amended—
  - (a) by inserting in the definition of "official traffic sign" in sub-section (1) after "road" the words ", or in a public place";
  - (b) by omitting from the end of paragraph (b) of subsection (2) "or";
  - (c) by omitting from sub-section (2)", is evidence of the matter averred" and substituting the following:
    - "; or (d) a parking voucher was not displayed on or in a vehicle, in such a manner as to comply with the requirements of the by-law,

is evidence of the matter averred."; and

- (d) by adding at the end the following paragraph:
  - "(g) in a prosecution for an offence under the by-law in which it is alleged that a parking voucher was not at the relevant time displayed on or in a motor vehicle in such a manner as to comply with the requirements of those by-laws, it is a defence

for the defendant to establish that he had displayed a parking voucher on or in the motor vehicle in accordance with the by-laws.".

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