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Detroit City Council  
1340 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit, Michigan

**Re: Proposed Amendment of Chapter 55 of the 1984 Detroit City Code, *Traffic and Motor Vehicles*, Article I, *Generally*, Division 2, *Violation and Penalties*.**

Honorable City Council:

At the request of Council President Brenda Jones and Council President Pro Tem Mary Sheffield, the Law Department has prepared and approved as to form the attached proposed amendment for your consideration. The proposed amendment to the ordinance will provide for a fine reduction on certain violations for vehicles registered in the Detroit when paid within five days of the issuance of the ticket.

Respectfully submitted,

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City of Detroit Law Department

## SUMMARY

**AN ORDINANCE** to amend Chapter 55 of the 1984 Detroit City Code, *Traffic and Motor Vehicles*, Article I, *Generally*, Division 2, *Violations and Penalties*, by amending and restating Section 55-1-32, *Schedule of fines for parking violations*, in order to provide for a fine reduction on certain violations for vehicles registered to Detroit residents when paid within five days following the issuance of the ticket.

1 **BY COUNCIL MEMBER** \_\_\_\_\_:

2 AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 55 of the 1984 Detroit City Code, *Traffic and Motor*  
3 *Vehicles*, Article I, *Generally*, Division 2, *Violations and Penalties*, by amending Section 55-1-32,  
4 *Schedule of fines for parking violations*, in order to provide for a fine reduction on certain  
5 violations for vehicles registered to Detroit residents when paid within five days following the  
6 issuance of the ticket.

7 **IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF DETROIT**  
8 **THAT:**

9 **Section 1.** Chapter 55 of the 1984 Detroit City Code, *Traffic and Motor Vehicles*,  
10 Article 1, *Generally*, Division 3, *Violations and Penalties*, be amended by amending Section 55-  
11 1-32, to read as follows:

12 **CHAPTER 55. TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES**

13 **ARTICLE I. GENERALLY**

14 **DIVISION 2. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

15 **Sec. 55-1-32. Schedule of fines for parking violations.**

16 (a) In accordance with Section 9-509 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, the schedule of fines,  
17 and of penalties for the late payment of fines, for parking violations are as follows:

| Violations                           | Violation Code | Fine    | <u>Fine When Paid Within 5 Days to vehicles registered to Detroit residents</u> | Fine When Paid After 30 Days, inclusive of late penalties, For Vehicles Registered in Michigan | Fine When Paid After 30 Days, inclusive of late penalties, for Vehicles Registered in Another State or Country |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------|---|--|--|
| Parked in prohibited area/no parking | 801            | \$45.00 | <u>\$22.50</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Improper Parking                     | 802            | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Blocking alley                       | 804.1          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Blocking driveway                    | 804.2          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Blocking crosswalk                   | 804.3          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Double parking                       | 805.1          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Double standing                      | 805.2          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Fire hydrant                         | 805.3          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| No standing (anytime)                | 811.1          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Snow emergency violation             | 811.2          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Coach stop                           | 811.3          | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| No standing (a.m.)                   | 812            | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| No standing (p.m.)                   | 813            | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Overtime parking                     | 814            | \$45.00 | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Parking meter violation              | 821            | \$45.00 | <u>\$22.50</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |

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|--|-----|----------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Parking in area reserved for the handicapped       | 830 | \$150.00 | <u>\$150.00</u> | \$170.00 | \$200.00 |
| DPW street cleaning                                | 835 | \$45.00  | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Unauthorized parking – Private property            | 840 | \$45.00  | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Unattended – Key in vehicle                        | 860 | \$45.00  | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| No stopping  | 870 | \$45.00  | <u>\$45.00</u>  | \$65.00  | \$95.00  |
| Vehicle and equipment specified in section 55-4-39 | 880 | \$150.00 | <u>\$150.00</u> | \$170.00 | \$200.00 |

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2 This schedule shall be posted at the Municipal Parking Department Parking Violations Bureau  
3 and, if located in a different location than the Parking Violations Bureau, at the main office of the  
4 Municipal Parking Department.

5 (b) ~~The amendment of Subsection (a) of this section, to increase in parking fines and~~  
6 ~~penalties for the late payment of fines was enacted by the City of Detroit through Emergency~~  
7 ~~Manager Order No. 24 issued April 3, 2014, pursuant the Local Financial Stability and Choice~~  
8 ~~Act, being MCL 141.1541 et seq. Order No. 24, which included the increases in parking fines and~~  
9 ~~penalties for the late payment of fines, was published in the *Detroit Legal News* on April 8, 2014,~~  
10 ~~together with notice of a public hearing on the amendment to be held April 14, 2014 at the Erma~~  
11 ~~Henderson Auditorium, 13<sup>th</sup> floor, Coleman Young Municipal Center, at 3:00 P.M. The public~~  
12 ~~meeting was so held. Commencing on or about April 14, 2014, City of Detroit parking tickets~~  
13 ~~reflected, and the Municipal Parking Department collected, the newly enacted fines and penalties.~~  
14 Further, in accordance with the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, being MCL 141.1541 et

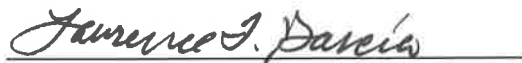
1 ~~seq., all actions previously taken by the City, including the Emergency Manager and the Municipal~~  
2 ~~Parking Department and its staff, agents or representatives, relating to the establishment and~~  
3 ~~collection of parking said fines and penalties for the late payment of fines in accordance with~~  
4 ~~Subsection (a) of this section, are affirmed.~~

5       **Section 2.** All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, that are in conflict with this  
6 ordinance are repealed.

7       **Section 3.** This ordinance is declared necessary to preserve the public peace, health,  
8 safety, and welfare of the People of the City of Detroit.

9       **Section 4.** In the event that this ordinance is passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of  
10 City Council members serving, it shall be given immediate effect and become effective upon  
11 publication in accordance with Section 4-118 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter. In the event that  
12 this ordinance is passed by less than a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the City Council members  
13 serving, it shall become effective on the thirtieth (30) day after enactment, or on the first business  
14 day thereafter, in accordance with Section 4-118 of the 2012 City Charter.

**Approved as to form:**



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Corporation Counsel