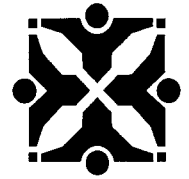


City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 236-14

Department Source: Law

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 4, 2014

Re: Increase in Fines for Unmetered Off-street Facilities and Parking Meter Violations

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: None

Executive Summary

At the City Manager's request, an ordinance has been prepared that would increase the minimum fines for parking meter violations.

Discussion

The current minimum fine for violation of parking in an unmetered off-street facility is \$5.00 if paid within 15 days of the violation and \$15.00 if paid more than 15 days after the violation. The proposed ordinance would increase the minimum fine for an unmetered off-street facility parking violation from \$5.00 to \$15.00 if paid within 15 days of the violation and from \$15.00 to \$30.00 if paid more than 15 days after the violation.

The current minimum fine for a parking meter violation is \$10.00 if paid within 15 days of the violation and \$25.00 if paid more than 15 days after the violation. The proposed ordinance would increase the minimum fine for a parking meter violation from \$10.00 to \$15.00 if paid within 15 days of the violation and from \$25.00 to \$30.00 if paid more than 15 days after the violation.

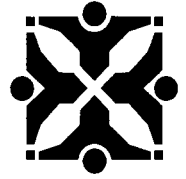
Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total projected revenue to be collected in parking fines for FY 2015 is approximately \$960,000; up from \$640,000 estimated for FY 2014.

Long-Term Impact: Unknown. Will depend on number of parking violations issued each year.

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Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Financial Health, Health, Safety and Well-Being

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Suggested Council Action

If the Council wishes to increase the minimum fines for parking violations as proposed, the ordinance should be passed.

Legislative History

1. Ordinance No. 019250 passed on October 2nd, 2006 increased the minimum fine in Section 14-396 of the city code for unmetered off-street parking.
2. Ordinance No. 020869 passed on February 7th, 2011 increased the minimum fine in Section 14-426 of the city code for parking meter violations.


Department Approved


City Manager Approved

Introduced by _____

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 236-14

AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 14 of the City Code as it relates to fines for unmetered off-street facilities and parking meter violations; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 14-396. Violations.

(a) Every person convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this division shall be punished as provided in section 1-8 of this Code, except that a fine shall not be less than ~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~ fifteen dollars (\$15.00) if paid within fifteen (15) days of the violation and not less than ~~fifteen dollars (\$15.00)~~ thirty dollars (\$30.00) if paid more than fifteen (15) days after violation.

(b) Each hour that a violation of this division continues is a separate offense.

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Sec. 14-426. Violations.

(a) Every person convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this division shall be punished as provided in section 1-8 of this Code, except that a fine shall not be less than ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ fifteen dollars (\$15.00) if paid within fifteen (15) days of the violation and not less than ~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)~~ thirty dollars (\$30.00) if paid more than fifteen (15) days after the violation.

(b) Each hour that a violation of this division continues is a separate offense.

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after October 1, 2014.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2014.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor