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Town Council Work Session June 8, 2017 Proposed Changes to Parking Regulations

Agenda Memorandum Submitted by: Brannon Godfrey, Town Manager

Discussion:

At its May 15 Meeting, the Public Safety & Transportation Committee discussed the recommendations of the Parking Study, including changes to parking fines and regulations. The Town of Warrenton Code of Ordinances, Section 10-3, authorizes the Town Manager to promulgate parking regulations. Therefore, proposed changes to the existing overtime regulations and to their attendant fines do not require a code amendment by Town Council. However, I am seeking Council's general consent before enacting the changes.

The proposed fine schedule for overtime parking is as follows:

	Existing	<u>Proposed</u>
1st Violation	\$5.00	warning
2nd Violation	\$10.00	\$10.00 (first <i>issued</i> violation)
3rd Violation	\$25.00	\$25.00 (second <i>issued</i> violation)
4th, subsequen	t \$50.00	\$50.00 (third & subsequent <i>issued</i> violations)

The Committee also suggested that the Town Manager and Police Chief recommend updates to the fines for other parking violations consistent with other localities. Staff compared our fines with the Towns of Culpeper, Remington, Leesburg, Haymarket, Herndon and Fairfax County. The recommended fines are as follows:

Violation	Existing	Proposed
Parking in Restricted Zone	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking in Loading Zone	\$10.00	\$35.00
Blocking Driveway	\$10.00	\$35.00
Stopping/Obstructing Traffic	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking in a Fire Lane	\$25.00	\$35.00
Parking w/in 20' of corner	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking w/in 15' of hydrant	\$10.00	\$35.00
Double Parking	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking Against Traffic	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking on a Sidewalk	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking in Violation of Sign/Marking	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking in a Handicapped Zone	\$50.00	\$100.00*
Parking without a Valid Inspection	\$25.00	\$35.00
Parking without a valid License Plate	\$25.00	\$35.00
Improperly Parked	\$10.00	\$35.00
Parking w/in 15' of Fire Station	\$0	\$35.00
Parking w/in 30' of Stop/Traffic Sign	\$0	\$35.00
Parking Over the Top of Curb	\$0	\$35.00
License Not Properly Displayed	\$0	\$35.00

^{*} The Committee discussed increasing the fine for illegally parking in a handicapped space to \$100. This violation is also addressed separately in Town Code Section 10-89, Parking In Handicapped Designated Parking Spaces, and includes a violation as a Class 4 Misdemeanor. Under Virginia Code §18.2-11, punishment for conviction of a Class 4 Misdemeanor may include a fine of not more than \$250.

The Public Safety & Transportation Committee also recommended maintain the one-hour time limit for onstreet spaces on Main Street, but converting all of the other one-hour zones to two-hour zones.

These changes are presented for Council's consideration. If the recommended fines and regulations are approved, the effective date will be July 1, 2017.

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