



Staff Report

May 11, 2021 Parking Advisory Committee Meeting

Request for Parking Fines Structure Revision

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BACKGROUND: The parking fines are currently the same fee for first-time citations (tracked by vehicle) as all subsequent violations.

SUMMARY: The Downtown Camas Association (DCA) suggests a progressive fee increase for parking fines in the downtown core. DCA Executive Director Carrie Schulstad proposes the following structure:

- **"First offense** (exceeding parking time limit): Car receives a friendly reminder that we have free parking in downtown but that we do have time limits to maintain customer flow. No fee with this "ticket."
- **Second offense:** \$15 ticket
- **Third and subsequent offenses:** \$45-50 per ticket"

DCA has stated their interest in collaborating with the City on implementing "first time ticket forgiveness." Staff points out that the current parking fine system cannot track warnings or citations issued with no fee.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

Staff is bringing this request to the committee for their recommendation.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

N/A

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

N/A

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

The benefit and/or burden is to be weighed by the committee.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

The committee is scheduled to meet three times a year to consider requests and the potential unintended consequences of any recommended changes.

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact.

No.

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities?

No; however, ADA parking spaces are not subject to the parking time restrictions.

What potential hurdles exist in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

N/A

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to Council for consideration.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

N/A

BUDGET IMPACT: The budget impact is unknown but expected to be nominal if there is a change in the fee structure.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff is seeking a recommendation from the committee. Staff is scheduled to take the committee's recommendation to Council in June 2021.