FY 2025-26 Bail Schedule

June 26, 2025



Background

Update ensures alignment with Capitola Municipal Code

Ensures accuracy for:

Capitola Police
Department

Santa Cruz County
Court database

State law requires **public hearing** for fee changes

Purpose of Update

Streamline	Streamline Bail Schedule
Introduce	Introduce four-tier penalty system
Improve	Improve clarity and accessibility
Maintain	Maintain consistency with regional agencies

Key Changes

Most violations grouped into four penalty tiers

Fines specified in **Capitola Municipal Code** listed individually

Parking fines increased from \$36 to \$65 (State law compliant)

Base bail = amount collected by City (Court adds additional fees)

Legal & Fiscal Compliance

Fines based on:

- Cost of service delivery
- Eighth Amendment compliance
- Alignment with regional standards

No immediate fiscal impact

Fee revenue review at mid-year budget

Recommended Action

Conduct Conduct duly noticed public hearing

Adopt

Adopt resolution to:

- Repeal Resolution No. 4233.1
- Approve FY 2025–26 Bail Schedule