ARTICLE IV. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Sec. 50-181. Designation of traffic zones, parking zones, through streets and other zones or areas; erection and installation of traffic control devices.

- (a) The City Council may by ordinance or regulation designate any of the following within the City limits:
 - Parking spaces and zones including but not limited to the following:paid parking zones, no parking zones, limited parking zones, reserved parking zones, free parking zones, and zones in which vehicles shall be parked at an angle to the curb, parallel to the curb, or parked in a perpendicular fashion (reference sec. 50-316 for certain classes of parking zones);
 - (2) Loading zones, safety zones, school zones, hospital zones, quiet zones, traffic zones other than the above;
 - (3) Crosswalks, truck routes, through streets, stop streets and intersections, yield right-of-way intersections, one-way streets, streets to be laned for traffic, play streets, bus stops and taxicab stands; and
 - (4) Intersections at which traffic shall be controlled by traffic signals or signs, intersections at which left turns and/or right turns and U-turns shall be prohibited, and intersections at which markers, buttons or other indications shall be placed to indicate the course to be traveled by vehicles traversing or turning at such intersections; and
 - (5) Any other traffic control measure or zones in the interest of the public health safety and welfare as allowed by applicable law..
- (b) Whenever any designation is made in accord with this section, the director of public works shall erect and install such signs, markings, lines, signals and other traffic control devices as may be necessary to clearly indicate such designation and to put drivers of vehicles on notice of the restriction, limitation or prohibition resulting from such designation.
- (c) All designations made in accordance with this section 50-181, except those made pursuant to subsection (d) below, shall be clearly shown and indicated on the official Traffic Control and Parking Map, maintained on the City's website (reference sec. 50-199).
- (d) Temporary traffic control measures. The City Manager, Chief of Police, the Public Works Director, or their designee(s), shall have the authority to temporarily designate, without approval of City Council, by appropriate signs and markings: Parking spaces and zones, no parking zones, limited parking zones, reserved parking zones, loading zones, safety zones, one-way streets, stop streets and intersections, right turn only intersections, left turn only intersections, and other similar temporary traffic control measures where, in their discretion, necessary for special events, emergencies, road construction and repair, utility installation and repair, funeral processions, parades, road hazards, riots, fires, demonstrations, or other similar circumstances where necessary for the public health, safety, welfare or convenience. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail to obey any temporary traffic control measures placed under the authority of this section 50-181(d).

(Code 1971, § 31-99)

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Sec. 50-199. Traffic control and parking map.

The director of public works is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to create a proper map of the city upon which is indicated the location, nature and type of all traffic signals and devices and parking zones located in the city and approved by this section and by resolution as provided in section 50-200. Such map shall be referred to as the Traffic Control and Parking Map and shall be maintained on the City's website.

(Code 1971, § 31-117)

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Sec. 50-234. Reserved

[Deleted - pre-empted by North Carolina law]Sec. 50-235. Prohibited in specified places.

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control device in any of the following places:

- (1) On a sidewalk.
- (2) Within an intersection, or within 20 feet thereof.
- (3) On a crosswalk.
- (4) Within 30 feet of any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a street or roadway.
- (5) No vehicle shall park on either side of any street approaching a railroad underpass or overhead bridge within 50 feet in any direction of the outer edge of such underpass or overhead bridge.
- (6) No vehicle shall park on either side of any street approaching a grade crossing within 50 feet of the closest rail; provided, however, that where existing permanent structures are located along the street and closer than 50 feet, parking may be permitted in front of such structures, unless otherwise prohibited, if the parking does not interfere with the view in either direction of an approaching locomotive or train.
- (7) Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.
- (8) Upon any bridge or other elevated structure or within any underpass structure.
- (9) Within 15 feet in either direction of the entrance to a hotel, theater, hospital, sanitarium or any other public building, where the street is so marked.
- (10) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped, standing or parked at the edge or curb of a street.
- (11) Within ten feet of any water hydrant.
- (12) Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of the entrance when properly signposted.
- (13) At any place where signs prohibit parking.
- (14) In any space designated as a passenger or freight loading zone except as allowed by sec. 50-259.

(Code 1971, § 31-169)

Sec. 50-236. Reserved.

[Deleted - preempted by North Carolina law.]

(Code 1971, § 31-169.1; Ord. of 9-7-95, § 1; Ord. No. 00-1171, § 1, 11-9-00; Ord. No. 05-0838, § 1, 8-4-05)

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Sec. 50-245. Illegal Parking of Vehicles.

- (a) In no case shall the driver or person in charge of any vehicle permit the same to remain backed up to curb, except when actually loading or unloading. See Sec. 20-259.
- (b) Parking in a backward position in any parking space regulated by the City is prohibited. See Figure 1 below.

- (c) Pull through parking is prohibited in any parking lot regulated by the City. See Figure 2 below.
- (d) Parking in all parallel parking spaces regulated by the City shall be with the flow of traffic. See Figure 3 below.

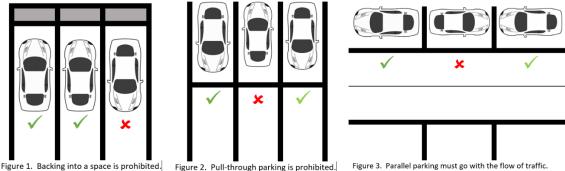


Figure 2. Pull-through parking is prohibited.

Figure 3. Parallel parking must go with the flow of traffic.

(Code 1971, § 31-178)

Sec. 50-246. Parking in prohibited zones generally.

When signs are placed, erected or installed, giving notice thereof, or the curbing has been painted yellow or red in lieu of such signs, no person shall park a vehicle at any time in any zone designated as a no parking zone, as provided in section 50-181. If parking is prohibited in such zone only between certain hours, this section shall apply only between such hours, as indicated on the signs erected in such zone. Such zones shall be clearly and distinctly marked and indicated upon the Traffic Control and Parking Map maintained on the City's website..

(Code 1971, § 31-179)

Sec. 50-247. Parking in limited parking zone.

Whenever a parking zone is designated in accord with section 50-181, limiting the time or conditions under which such vehicle may be parked, no person shall park any vehicle in such zone, except in accord with the signs and markings erected therein. Such zones shall be clearly and distinctly marked and indicated upon the Traffic Control and Parking Map maintained on the City's website.

(Code 1971, § 31-180; Ord. No. 04-0746, § 3, 7-8-04)

Sec. 50-254. Vehicles in excess of 80 inches.

- It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle, which shall have a width in excess of 80 inches, upon any of the streets of the city, for a continuous period of time longer than 15 minutes. See sec. 50-259.
- This section shall not apply to motor vehicles momentarily stopped for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers, or loading or unloading freight at a point of origin or destination as allowed by sec 50-259, nor shall it apply to motor vehicles accidentally and unavoidably disabled; provided, however, that such parking or stoppage is necessary for emergency repairs, to permit such vehicle to be put in operating condition.

(Code 1971, § 31-186)

Sec. 50-257. Reserved.

Sec. 50-258. Parking at city recreational facilities; exceptions.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any motor vehicle of any nature or kind whatsoever owned or operated by such person to stop, stand or park in the parking area of any city-owned or -operated recreational facility, including specifically parks and dog parks, when the recreational facility is closed or where the city manager has caused to be conspicuously placed one or more signs designating that parking at such facility is limited to active users as specified in paragraph (a) hereof.

(Ord. No. 15-0949, § 2, 9-6-15)

Sec. 20-259. Loading Zones.

- (a) Passenger curb loading zones. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose or period of time, other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers, in any place marked as a passenger curb loading zone during hours when the rules applicable to such zone are in effect, and then only for a period not to exceed five minutes unless otherwise marked.
- (b) Freight loading zones. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle for any purpose or length of time, other than for the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of materials, in any place marked as a freight loading zone during hours when the rules applicable to such zone are in effect, and then only for a period not to exceed fifteen minutes.
- (c) Any person parking a vehicle in a passenger curb loading zone or a freight loading zone as allowed by this Section 20-259 shall be required to place their blinkers on in a flashing position while so parked.

Secs. 50-260—50-280. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. PARKING METERS AND PAY-FOR-PARKING KIOSKS

Sec. 50-281. Installation.

In the paid parking zones established pursuant to the provisions of sections 50-181, the City Manager or his designee shall cause parking meters or pay-for-parking kiosks ("kiosks") to be installed and shallindicate any applicable time limitations and paid parking rates by designating the same on the parking meters or kiosks, or by appropriate signs posted in proximity to such meters or kiosks in such zone.

(Code 1971, § 31-195)

Sec. 50-282. Hours and days of operation.

All parking meters and kiosks installed in accordance with the provisions of this division shall be in operation between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. every day, except Sundays, and the holidays as defined in the city's personnel policy, said hours of operation being referred to in this Chapter as "paid parking hours." It shall be unlawful to park in a paid parking zone during paid parking hours without paying the applicable rate for parking.

(Code 1971, § 31-196; Ord. No. 15-0846, § 1, 8-6-15)

Sec. 50-283. Location and legend.

Parking meters and kiosks installed in the paid parking zones shall be placed in such locations so as to provide reasonable accessibility to persons parking in the paid parking zones. Each parking meter or kiosk installed shall indicate by a proper legend the legal parking time established by the city.

(Code 1971, § 31-197)

Sec. 50-284. Marking parking spaces.

The director of public works shall have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb or upon the street to delineate the parking spaces in all parking zones, and each vehicle parking shall park within the lines or markings so established. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this division to park any vehicle across any such line or marking or to park such vehicle in such position that the vehicle shall not be entirely within the area so designated by such lines or markings.

(Code 1971, § 31-198)

Sec. 50-285. Use of meters, kiosks and spaces in paid parking zones.

- (a) When a vehicle shall be parked in any space in a paid parking zone during paid parking hours, the operator of such vehicle shall immediately upon entering the parking space check in as required by sec. 50-317(g)(1). The operator shall also immediately deposit or cause to be deposited the appropriate designated coin or otherwise pay for the parking at the established rate by either paying at a kiosk or through the mobile parking app designated by the City for the acceptance of payments for parking if the vehicle will remain parked beyond the applicable initial free parking period granted by sec. 50-317.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit or cause to be deposited additional coins or make additional payments for the purpose of extending the period of parking time for the same vehicle beyond the time limits established for the paid parking zone if such time limits have been established by the City Council pursuant to sec. 50-281.
- (c) It shall be lawful for city employees and officials, while in the immediate discharge of the responsibilities of their employment by the city, to park and place motor vehicles belonging to the city, appropriately marked or otherwise identified, in any space in a paid parking zone, either in a facility of on-street or off-street parking, without complying with the requirements of this division, and no citation or summons shall be issued by any police officer for any such noncompliance.
- (d) It shall be lawful for the city manager, in his discretion, and from time to time, to hood, or otherwise obscure so as to render the same inoperative, meters or kiosks for the purpose of providing unlimited parking privileges to the general public during City sponsored events or on holidays during which City offices are closed; provided, however, that such obscuring device shall be plainly marked in a manner sufficient to indicate its official origin and purpose.

(Code 1971, § 31-199)

Sec. 50-286. Overtime parking—Generally.

- (a) If any vehicle shall remain parked in any parking space beyond the parking time limit fixed for such parking space by indication by any clearly posted sign or other notice or by notification by any meter, kiosk or other mechanical or electronic device, such vehicle shall be considered as parked overtime and beyond the period of legal parking time. The parking of a vehicle overtime or beyond the period of legal parking time in any part of a street, lot, or other place where any such sign, meter, or device is lawfully located shall be a violation of this division.
- (b) During paid parking hours, it shall be unlawful for any person to permit any vehicle to remain or be placed in any parking space in a paid parking zone without complying with the pay for parking requirements for such paid parking zone contained in this Article.
- (c) —Responsibility of owner and operator.

It shall be unlawful for any person to cause, allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in the name of, or operated by, such person to be parked in violation of this sec. 50-286.

(Code 1971, § 31-200; Ord. No. 16-0830, § 1, 8-4-16)

Sec. 50-287. Reserved

(Code 1971, § 31-201)

Sec. 50-288. Report of violations; notice to operator; payment of penalties.

- (a) It shall be the duty of police officers of the city, acting in accordance with instructions issued by the chief of police, to issue a citation for violations of this Article. (Reference also Division 4) Such citation shall state:
 - (1) The nature of the violation;
 - (2) The civil penalty assessed for the violation;

(3) The location of a vehicle occupying a parking space parking in violation of any of the provisions of this Article:

The state license number of such vehicle;

- (4) The date and time during which such vehicle is parking in violation of any of the provisions of this Article; and
- (5) Any other facts, necessary to support the determination that there has been a violation.
- (b) Each such police officer shall attach the citation to such vehicle and/or serve the citation by one of the methods provided by subsection (c)(2)-(4) below as notice to the owner or operator of the vehicle that such vehicle has been parked in violation of a provision of this Article..
- (c) Each such owner or operator shall, within 30 days of the time when such citation was issued and served on the owner or operator of the vehicle, whichever occurs last, pay to the police chief, or other officer in charge at the chief's office, as a penalty for and in full satisfaction of such violation, the currently required civil penalty. The failure of such owner or operator to make the payment heretofore designated and within the specified time, to the police department, shall render such operator or owner subject to the penalty provided in section 50-341. Service upon the owner or operator of the vehicle shall be deemed given when:
 - (1) The citation is attached to the vehicle;
 - (2) The citation is personally delivered to the owner or operator of the vehicle;
 - (3) The citation is deposited in the regular U.S. mail in a postage pre-paid envelope, addressed to the owner or operator at the address registered for the tag or shown upon the owner or operator's driver's license; or
 - (4) The citation is deposited with a commercial carrier in a pre-paid envelope, addressed to the owner or operator at the address registered for the tag or shown upon the owner or operator's driver's license.

(Code 1971, § 31-202; Ord. No. 04-0746, § 4, 7-8-04)

Sec. 50-289. Tampering with, destroying or injuring meters or kiosks.

It shall be unlawful for any person to deface, injure, tamper with, open or willfully break, destroy or impair the usefulness of any parking meter or kiosk installed under the provisions of this division.

(Code 1971, § 31-203)

Sec. 50-290. Use of slugs or other coin substitutes.

It shall be unlawful to deposit or cause to be deposited, in any parking meter or kiosk, any slug, device or metallic substance, or any other substitute for the coins required by this division.

(Code 1971, § 31-204)

Sec. 50-291. Use of coins and payments collected.

The specified coins required to be deposited and all other payments required for parking in a paid parking zone, as provided in this division, are hereby levied and assessed as fees to provide for the proper regulation and control of traffic upon the public streets, the cost of supervision and regulating the parking of vehicles in the paid and limited time parking zones created hereby, to cover the cost of purchasing, acquiring, installation, operation, maintenance, supervision, regulation and control of the parking meters or kiosks described in this division, and all such other uses as may be allowed by applicable law.

(Code 1971, § 31-205)

Secs. 50-292—50-315. Reserved.

DIVISION 3. MUNICIPAL PARKING FACILITIES; PARKING ZONES

Sec. 50-316. Application of division; parking zones.

- (a) The provisions of this division shall apply to all parking facilities operated by the city. Off street facilities include surface lots and the City's parking deck. On street facilities include on-street parking on City streets, whether such parking is parallel, angled, or perpendicular parking.
- (b) There shall be the following classes of paid parking zones:
 - (1) On-street paid parking zone;
 - (2) Interior surface lot paid parking zone;
 - (3) Exterior surface lot paid parking zone; and
 - (4) Parking deck paid parking zone.
- (c) There shall be the following classes of free parking zones:
 - (1) Free on street limited time zone, 15 minutes.
 - (2) Free on street limited time zone, 30 minutes.
 - (3) Free on street limited time zone, 3 hours.
 - (4) Free on street unlimited time zones.

(Code 1971, § 31-211)

Sec. 50-317. Parking zones regulations.

All parking facilities within a parking zone will be open for parking either by permit holders or the general public, or both, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, in accordance with this section 50-317 below, except during such times when a parking facility is closed or reserved pursuant to subsection 50-181(d).

- (a) On street paid parking zones. During paid parking hours, all owners or operators parking a vehicle in a parking space within an on-street paid parking zone will be required to pay for parking at the City-adopted rate for the paid parking zone, with the rate being applicable from and after the first ½ hour per park in a parking space.
- (b) Interior surface lot paid parking zones.
 - (1) Permits may be issued for interior surface lot paid parking zones. The cost for such permit shall be as provided in the City's duly adopted fee schedule. Persons having a valid interior surface lot permit shall be permitted to park a permitted vehicle in any interior surface lot paid parking zone at any time with no time limit per park.
 - (2) During paid parking hours, all owners or operators not having a valid permit will be required to pay for parking at the City-adopted rate in an interior surface lot paid parking zone, with the rate being applicable from and after the first 1 hour per park in a parking space.
- (c) Exterior surface lots paid parking zones. Parking in an exterior surface lot paid parking zone shall be by permit only from 12:00 am Monday through 11:59 pm Saturday. Any person may park in an exterior surface lot paid parking zone on Sunday from 12:00 am through 11:59 pm without charge, and without a time limit per park.
- (d) Parking deck paid parking zone.
 - (1) Permits may be issued for the parking deck paid parking zone. The cost for such permit shall be as provided in the City's duly adopted fee schedule. Persons having a valid parking deck permit shall be permitted to park a permitted vehicle in the parking deck paid parking zone at any time with no time limit per park.
 - (2) During paid parking hours, all owners or operators not having a valid permit will be required to pay for parking at the City-adopted rate in the parking deck paid parking zone, with the rate being applicable from and after the first 1 hour per park in the parking deck.

- (3) The City Manager shall have the authority to designate parking spaces on the lowest level of the parking deck as reserved spaces, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, in the parking deck paid parking zone. Parking in such spaces shall require a valid permit.
- (e) Free on-street limited time zones. Parking in a parking space within a free on-street limited time zone shall be limited to the stated number of consecutive minutes or hours per park in a parking space.
- (f) Free on-street unlimited time zones. Parking within a free on-street unlimited time zone shall be free and unlimited, except that continuous parking within a spot for more than 24 consecutive hours may result in a vehicle being determined to be abandoned and towed pursuant to sec. ______ of the City of Hendersonville Code of Ordinances.
- (g) Generally applicable requirements.
 - (1) Check-in required. All persons parking within paid, paid limited time parking, or free limited time parking zones during paid parking hours will be required to check in at a parking kiosk or using the parking mobile app made available by the City. Check in shall require the entry of the parked vehicle's license plate number at the kiosk or mobile app. It shall be unlawful to park in a limited time or paid parking zone during paid parking hours without checking in with the parked vehicle's license plate number as required by this sec. 50-317(g)(1).
 - (2) Parking permits. All parking permits issued pursuant to this sec 50-317 shall be issued in accordance with rules adopted by the Chief of Police. All permits will be issued on a first come, first serve basis up to the maximum number of permits per parking facility as determined by the City Manager. The City Council shall adopt parking permit fees as part of the City's fee schedule. All fees for parking permits must be timely paid. Failure to timely pay parking permit fees may result in a parking permit being revoked by the Chief of Police. All unpaid parking permit fees may be collected by any remedy for collection of a debt allowed at law.
 - (3) Pay -by- plate. All paid parking shall be paid by vehicle license plate number.
 - (4) Electric Vehicle Parking Spaces. All parking spaces containing a charging station for electric vehicles in a paid parking zone shall be reserved for electric vehicles only, shall be paid for at the applicable parking rate for the paid parking zone, and shall be limited to three consecutive hours of parking per park in such a parking space.

(Code 1971, § 31-212)

Sec. 50-318. Continuous parking in violation of division.

Any person who shall permit any vehicle to be parked in violation of this division for more than one day shall be subject to an additional penalty for each such day, with each such day being considered a separate offense hereunder. When any vehicle has been continuously parked in violation of this division of a period of 24 hours or more, such vehicle may be towed by order of the Hendersonville Police Chief, or his/her designee, in accordance with _________.

(Code 1971, § 31-214)

Sec. 50-319. Habitual parking violators.

- (a) Unlawful. It shall be unlawful for any person to be a habitual parking violator.
- (b) Term defined. The term "habitual parking violator" shall mean any operator or owner of any vehicle properly cited for a parking offense not including the violation of this section within the city limits six or more times within any 180-day period.
- (c) *Penalty for violation of section.* Penalty for violation of this section shall be \$100.00 per violation within a 180-day period.
- (d) Separate offenses. Each new proper citation constituting a sixth or greater violation within any 180-day period shall constitute a separate offense hereunder.

(e) Notice of violation; failure to pay. The city may notify any violator thereof, by U.S. certified mail, of the violation, penalty and time for payment hereof, not less than ten days after the date the notice is sent. Upon such notification, failure to make payment of the penalty within the specified time shall render the violator civilly liable to the city for all costs associated with the violation and the prosecution and collection thereof.

(Code 1971, § 31-215; Ord. No. 04-0746, § 5, 7-8-04; Ord. No. 10-0204, § 1, 2-4-10)

Secs. 50-320—50-340. Reserved.

DIVISION 4. CIVIL PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS

Sec. 50-341. Schedule of civil penalties for stopping, standing, parking and parking meter violations.

- (a) Civil penalties for violations of divisions 1, 2 and 3 of this article shall be as established from time to time by the city council in the city's schedule of fees, or as stated in this Chapter 50.
- (b) This violation and any delinquent penalty are not subject to the penalty provisions of G.S. 14-4, but instead constitute civil penalties to be recovered by the city in a civil action in the nature of debt when the violator does not pay the penalty within the prescribed period of time set forth, pursuant to G.S. 160A-175(c).

(Code 1971, § 31-221; Ord. No. 04-0746, § 6, 7-8-04; Ord. No. 11-0101, § 1, 1-6-11; Ord. No. 15-0951, § 3, 9-3-15)

Sec. 50-342. CITATIONS FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS; REVIEW OF PARKING CITATIONS

- (a) Owners or operators of vehicles parked in violation of this Article shall be issued a parking citation in accordance with sec. 50-288. As used herein, for parking violations the word "citation" shall not refer to a citation governed by N.C.G.S. § 15A-302.
- (b) Any person receiving a parking citation may request a review of the parking citation by the Hendersonville Police Department by submitting a Request to Review form online at https://www.hendersonvillenc.gov/parking/parking-enforcement or by mailing or delivering (in person or by commercial carrier) a Request to Review form to the following address:

Hendersonville Police Department c/o Parking Enforcement 630 Ashe Street

Hendersonville, NC 28792

The request for review must include a statement as to why the requestor believes that the parking citation was issued in error. Requestors may include with the request to review form any information, photographs, or other documents supporting their assertion that the parking citation was issued in error.

- (c) Requests for review must be submitted within five (5) days of the date of issuance and service of the parking citation upon the owner or operator (whichever occurs last). An request for review is deemed submitted:
 - (1) upon receipt by the City if the appeal is submitted in person, in an online portal on the City's website, or by email; or
 - (2) upon due depository with postage or freight charges pre-paid in the U.S. mail or with other commercial carrier.
- (d) The requesting party should receive confirmation of receipt by the Hendersonville Police Department within 24 hours, if the review request is received online, or otherwise within 2 business days of receipt by the City if the review request is submitted in person or through the mail or commercial carrier.
- (e) The request for review shall be considered and decided upon by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. Upon review of the information provided by the requesting party the Chief (or designee) may set aside the parking citation if he/she determines that the parking citation was issued in error. Examples of a citation being issued in error include, but are not limited to:

- (1) The ticket was issued for parking without the required payment and requestor has a parking receipt which shows that, at the time the citation was issued, the parking was, in fact, paid for.
- (2) The vehicle was not parked at the location listed on the parking citation at the time the citation was issued

The person requesting review of a parking citation will be notified of the Chief's (or designee's) decision within 5 business days of the request for review being received by the City. If the parking citation is not set aside, payment of the civil penalty assessed by the parking citation will still be due within 30 days of the date that the citation was originally issued and served pursuant to sec. 50-288(c). If the parking citation is set aside, no payment will be owed for the civil penalty originally assessed by the parking citation.

Secs. 50-343—50-375. Reserved.