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Richland Center Police Department/Parking Enforcement
470 South Main Street
Richland Center, WI 53581

RE: Formal Complaint Regarding Parking Citation Payment Deadlines

To the Parking Enforcement Division,

I am writing to formally express my dissatisfaction with the current policy regarding parking ticket payment deadlines. Specifically, I am concerned that late penalties are applied only five days after a citation is issued.

While I understand the necessity of parking enforcement for maintaining city order, a five-day window for payment is significantly shorter than the industry standard. Many other municipalities provide a minimum of 14 to 30 days for a citizen to either pay the fine or initiate a formal review before penalties accrue.

A five-day turnaround period is burdensome for several reasons:

- **Administrative Delay:** It often takes several business days for a ticket to even appear in the online payment system, leaving almost no time for electronic payment.
- **Postal Lead Times:** For residents who prefer to pay by mail, a five-day window is virtually impossible to meet given current mail delivery speeds.
- **Financial Planning:** Many citizens require more than one work week to adjust their personal budgets for unexpected expenses.

I respectfully request that the department reconsider this policy and extend the grace period to a more reasonable timeframe, such as 14 or 21 days. This change would demonstrate a commitment to fair and accessible public service rather than aggressive revenue collection.

Thank you for your time and for considering this feedback from a concerned citizen.

Sincerely,


Veronica Olson

Notice of Unpaid Parking Citation

Richland Center Police Department
470 South Main Street
Richland Center, WI 53581
Phone: (608) 647-2103

January 28, 2026
\$12.00 plus fee was
paid online on
Jan. 28, 2026

To: Falk, Jacob J / *Veronica Olson is also a registered owner.*
[REDACTED]
Richland Center, WI 53581

Your vehicle, identified below, was cited for a parking violation. The citation was not disposed of by the original due date of 1/26/2026 and therefore the forfeiture has increased to \$17.00.

Ticket Number: 29010
Ordinance Violated: Violation of parking regulations
Violation Date: 1/21/2026 3:08 PM
Violation Location: S Central AVE @ 200 blk
Vehicle Registration or VIN: [REDACTED]
Vehicle Description: [REDACTED]

Failure to pay the forfeiture amount of \$17.00 by 2/23/2026 may result in any or all of the following actions:

- The fees will increase to \$22.00.
- Citations that remain unpaid will eventually be subject to entry in the State of Wisconsin's Traffic Violation & Registration System, at which point registration of said vehicle will be suspended and your privilege to register any vehicle in the State of Wisconsin will be denied.

You may dispose of this citation by mailing the amount due to the address listed above or you may also pay in person Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.

Or you may contest this citation and arrange for a court date by calling (608) 647-2103, Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. (Court fees will be assessed.)

To avoid further action, you must pay or contest this citation.

Sincerely,

Billy J. Jones, Chief of Police
Richland Center Police Department