

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION ANALYSIS

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ITEM 4, FILE 081244

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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File # 081244 is an ordinance relating to a parking citation payment plan administration fee.

Background and Discussion

1. With the implementation of the parking citation processing vendor's (Duncan Solutions) new parking citation information technology system, the Department of Public Works intends to initiate a parking citation payment plan which will allow the parking citation review manager to permit citizens to enter into the payment plan to dispose of unpaid parking citations prior to adjudication in municipal court.
2. The payment plan will be voluntary. However, a citizen entering the payment plan waives their right to adjudicate the parking citations in Municipal Court. A citizen entering the plan will have one year to pay off the citations. By entering the payment plan, a plan participant will be removed from the City's usual parking citation collection process (placement of vehicle registration holds, collection agency contacts, etc.). If a plan participant defaults, they will immediately be returned to the City's usual collection process.
3. This ordinance establishes a \$10 parking citation payment plan fee to cover the costs of postage, labor, and when necessary, vehicle registration holds.

Fiscal Impact

The ordinance is intended to be revenue neutral, with the fee being established to recover the costs of postage, labor, and when necessary, vehicle registration holds.

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