

ORDINANCE NO. 2030

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, by adding thereto a new Article V-A containing new sections numbered 22-152.3, 22-152.4, 22-152.5, and 22-152.6; which new section 22-152.3 relates to PAYMENT OF UNCONTESTED PARKING CITATIONS, which new section 22-152.4 relates to DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ACCEPT PAYMENT OF UNCONTESTED PARKING CITATIONS; DELINQUENT CITATIONS, which new section 22-152.5 relates to CONTESTED PARKING CITATIONS, which new section 22-152.6 provides PENALTIES FOR UNCONTESTED PARKING CITATIONS, which new Article V-A relates to PAYMENT, CONTEST AND ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING CITATIONS and which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new Article V-A to read as follows:

Article V-A. Payment, Contest and Enforcement of Parking Citations.

Sec. 22-152.3. Payment of uncontested parking citations.

For any parking citation issued pursuant to the provisions of Secs. 22-98 to 22-114, 22-128 to 22-131, 22-134, 22-136, 22-142 to 22-144, 22-149 or 22-151 of this code, the amount of the penalty established by section 22-152.6 for the violation for which the citation was issued, when the citation is uncontested, may be paid to the director of finance in lieu of a trial on the charge.

The registered owner of any motor vehicle receiving such a citation shall execute on appropriate form a waiver of his right to contest the citation and enter his plea of guilty to the charge for which the citation was issued before payment tendered by him for the same may be accepted by the director of finance.

Sec. 22-152.4. Director of finance to accept payment of uncontested parking citations; delinquent citations.

The director of finance shall receive and accept payment tendered pursuant to section 22-152.3 for any uncontested parking citations, and shall account for same.

When any parking citation for which payment may be accepted pursuant to section 152-3 is unpaid and uncontested at the expiration of one hundred twenty days from the date the citation was issued, the director of finance shall cause to be sent to the last known address of, or the address shown on the records of the Division of Motor Vehicles for, the registered owner of the motor vehicle receiving the citation a registered letter notifying him to appear in the General District Court or, in the case of a juvenile, the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, on a specified date not less than ten nor more than fifteen days from the date of the registered letter to show cause why further process should not issue on the citation.

If such citation remains unpaid as of the date the registered owner has been directed to appear in court, the director of finance shall appear before the court and request that a summons be issued to the registered owner to appear and answer on the citation.

Sec. 22-152.5. Contested parking citations.

The registered owner of any motor vehicle receiving a parking citation issued for a violation of the provisions of Secs. 22-98 to 22-114, 22-128 to 22-131, 22-134, 22-136, 22-142 to 22-144, 22-149 or 22-151 of this code who wishes to contest the same may do so by executing on appropriate form provided by the director of finance, an affidavit of his intent to contest the citation. The director of finance shall certify the same in writing on appropriate form to the General District Court or, in the case of a juvenile, the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

Sec. 22-152.6. Penalties for uncontested parking citations.

Any other provisions of this code to the contrary notwithstanding, the penalty for a violation for which a citation is issued, when the citation is uncontested, shall be as follows:

(a) If payment is tendered within thirty (30) calendar days from the date the citation is issued:

- (1) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-98, "Stopping contrary to directions of signs or police officers".
- (2) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-99, "Manner of stopping generally; removal of vehicle stopped as result of accident, etc."
- (3) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-100, "Right to parking space."
- (4) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-101, "Stopping so as to obstruct traffic or on crossing."
- (5) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-103, "Parking in front of fire hydrant, near street corner, fire station, etc."
- (6) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-104, "Double parking."
- (7) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-105, "Parking trucks or commercial vehicles in residential districts."
- (8) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-105.1, "Parking of vehicles by businesses on streets."
- (9) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-106, "Parking for more than forty-eight continuous hours."
- (10) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-107, "Parking on sidewalk."
- (11) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-108, "Parking in alleys or courts."
- (12) Ten dollars for a violation of Section 22-109, "Stopping for purpose of sale, repairs, etc."
- (13) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-110, "Use of bus stops."
- (14) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-111, "Stopping for loading or unloading passengers or cargo generally."
- (15) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-112, "Permit for parking truck beside railroad car on public right of way."
- (16) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-113, "Angle parking for loading and unloading."
- (17) Ten dollars for a violation of section 22-114, "Use of loading zones."
- (18) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-128, "How meter and space to be used."
- (19) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-129, "Overtime parking."
- (20) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-130, "Depositing coin in meter for purpose of extending time."
- (21) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-131, "Permitting vehicle to remain parked at meter after expiration of time limit."
- (22) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-134, "Parking across lines designating parking space."
- (23) Five dollars for a violation of section 22-136, "Interfering with enforcement of division."
- (24) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-142, "Designation of parking spaces; parking across lines."
- (25) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-143, "How meters and space to be used; time limit; parking overtime generally."
- (26) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-144, "Permitting a vehicle to remain parked overtime."
- (27) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-149, "Use of metered parking lots by vehicles other than private passenger automobiles."
- (28) Three dollars for a violation of section 22-151, "Interfering with enforcement of division."

(b) If payment is tendered after the expiration of thirty (30) calendar days from the date the citation is issued, five dollars in addition to the penalty imposed by subsection (a) above for the violation for which the citation was issued, provided that in the event the thirtieth calendar day from the date the citation is issued is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, such additional penalty shall not be imposed if payment is tendered in the amount required by subsection (a) above on the next succeeding business day; and provided, further, that if such payment is remitted to the director of finance in a sealed envelope bearing a postmark on or before midnight of the thirtieth calendar day from the date the citation is issued, no such additional penalty shall be imposed.

Section 2. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective June 15, 1975.

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: MAY 27, 1975