

ORDINANCE NUMBER 3772

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSOULA AMENDING SECTION 10.54.140 OF THE MISSOULA MUNICIPAL CODE (MMC) ENTITLED PENALTIES – PARKING VIOLATIONS TO ALLOW FOR AN INCREASE IN PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS AND AMENDING SECTION 10.22.260 OF THE MMC ENTITLED LIMITATIONS ON PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ONLY AREA TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS IN THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING AREA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSOULA THAT SECTION 10.54.140 MMC ENTITLED PENALTIES – PARKING VIOLATIONS AND SECTION 10.22.260 OF THE MMC ENTITLED LIMITATIONS ON PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT ONLY AREA BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1

10.54.140 Penalties--Parking violations.

A. For any person found in violation pleading guilty to or convicted of Meter Violations, Overtime Violations, Improper Parking Violations or Disabled Parking Violations, the fines shall be as follows:

1. The fine for Meter Violations and Overtime Violations shall be determined by the number of Meter Violations or Overtime Violations against a license plate number within the previous 180 days. Fines shall escalate as follows:

a. Notwithstanding Section 10.54.140 (A) (1) (b), fines shall not escalate against a single license plate within a single day.

b.

	Number of violations in previous 180 days				
	0	1	2	3	4 or more
Meter Violation	\$0	\$510	\$1020	\$1530	\$2040
Overtime Violation	\$0	\$510	\$1020	\$1530	\$2040

2. The fine for Improper Parking Violations: shall be determined by the number of Improper Parking Violations against a license plate number within the previous 365 days. Fines shall escalate as follows:

a. Each offense, twenty dollars (\$20.00) Notwithstanding Section 10.54.140 (A) (2) (b), fines shall not escalate against a single license plate within a single day.

b.

	Number of violations in previous 365 days				
	0	1	2	3	4 or more
Improper Parking Violations	\$20	\$40	\$60	\$80	\$100

3. Disabled Parking Violations on public or private property:

a. Each offense, one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

B. Whenever the Parking Commission has mailed a summons or notice to the registered owner of any vehicle with an unpaid parking tickets and the registered owner fails to pay the parking fine within the time specified within the summons or the notice, a formal complaint may be filed in municipal court.

SECTION 2

10.22.260 Limitations on parking in a residential parking ~~permit only~~-area.

A. It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park a vehicle on any street identified in an ordinance adopted by the city council designating an area a residential ~~permit only~~-parking area during the hours and on the days set forth in such ordinance, except in the following circumstances:

1. Those vehicles displaying a valid ~~permit for the~~ residential parking ~~permit for the~~ area; or
2. An emergency vehicle, including, but not limited to, an ambulance, fire engine or police vehicle; or
3. A clearly marked business vehicle which is under the control of a person providing a service to persons or property located in the designated residential ~~permit only~~-parking area, including but not limited to a delivery vehicle.

B. Anyone violating this section shall be subject to a twenty dollar fine. ~~The fine for parking without a permit in a residential parking area shall be determined by the number of parking without a permit in a residential parking area violations against a license plate number within the previous 365 days. Fines shall escalate as follows:~~

a. ~~A ticket for a violation may be written every four hours. Imprisonment may not be a part of any penalty imposed for a violation of this section. Fines shall not escalate against a single license plate within a single day.~~

b. ~~Number of violations in previous 365 days~~

	<u>Number of violations in previous 365 days</u>				
	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4 or more</u>
<u>Parking without a permit in a residential parking area</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>\$40</u>	<u>\$60</u>	<u>\$80</u>	<u>\$100</u>

SECTION 3

Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and words thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases or words have been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if for any reason this ordinance should be declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the remaining ordinance provisions will be in full force and effect.

PASSED by a 9-Yes, 2-No, and 1-Absent vote and

APPROVED by the Mayor, this 2nd day of June 2025.

ATTEST:

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Claire Trimble (Jun 4, 2025 16:36 MDT)

Claire Trimble
City Clerk

APPROVED:

Andrea Davis
Andrea Davis
Mayor

(SFAI)



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