

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: September 13, 2018

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Jane Le Clainche, Finance Director

Re: Revision of parking ticket late payment penalties
Ordinance No. 18-2018

Date: August 28, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council approve Ordinance No. 18-2018 on first reading, amending Chapter 118 of the Code to revise the parking ticket late payment penalty structure.

GENERAL INFORMATION

At the August 15, Town Council meeting, the Mayor requested that the Town consider extending the period before unpaid parking tickets are considered late, and thereby penalized, from seven days to fourteen days. In addition, during the Comprehensive Review of Town Operations (CROTO), it was suggested that an additional penalty be added to all parking tickets remaining unpaid after 120 days. These two modifications are included in Ordinance 18-2018, along with a change to the section regarding parking meter violations, correcting the method of violation calculation to match the Town's established practice of using a flat violation amount rather than an amount multiplied by the number of parking periods for which the vehicle occupied the space beyond the time period allowed.

A resolution will be submitted for approval along with the second reading of this Ordinance, establishing the amount of the 120 day penalty at twenty five dollars. The resulting penalty structure on parking tickets will be \$20 at 14 days, \$20 at 60 days, \$25 at 90 days and \$25 at 120 days. Tickets remaining outstanding after 120 days are subject to collection efforts. Vehicles with 3 or more outstanding and past due parking tickets are subject to immobilization.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

It is unknown at this time what fiscal impact these changes will have although they are expected to be negligible and offsetting.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The Town Attorney has reviewed and approved Ordinance No. 18-2018 for legal form and sufficiency.

cc: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager