

Charter Township of Orion

Ordinance No. 110

Parking Violations Bureau Ordinance

Adopted September 5, 1995

AMENDED

May 21, 2007

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU WITHIN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ORION TO ACCEPT CIVIL INFRACTION ADMISSIONS IN PARKING VIOLATION CASES AND TO COLLECT AND RETAIN CIVIL FINES AND COST FOR SUCH VIOLATIONS; TO PRESCRIBE FINES AND COSTS FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PORTIONS THEREOF.

Section 1 - Short Title

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Orion Township Parking Violations Bureau Ordinance.

Section 2 - Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is:

- A. To establish a parking violations bureau within the Charter Township of Orion to accept civil infraction admissions in parking violation cases and to collect and retain civil fines and costs for such violations.
- B. To prescribe fines and costs for parking violations.

Section 3 - Definitions

Whenever used in this Ordinance, except when otherwise indicated by the context:

"Bureau" shall mean the Charter Township of Orion Parking Violations Bureau.

"Township" shall mean the Charter Township of Orion.

"Civil Infraction" shall mean an act or omission which is prohibited by law which is not a crime as defined in Section 5 or Act No. 328 of the Public Acts of 1931 as amended, being Section 750.5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws as amended and for which sanctions may be ordered.

"Civil Infraction Admission" shall mean an admission of responsibility for a civil infraction.

"Motor Vehicle" shall mean every vehicle which is self-propelled and every vehicle which is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires, but which is not operated upon rails.

"Parking" shall mean standing a vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon a highway when not loading or unloading except when making necessary repairs.

"Parking Violation" shall mean a violation of any law relating to the parking or standing of motor vehicles.

"Parking Violations Notice" shall mean a notice other than a citation, directing a person to appear at the Charter Township of Orion Parking Violations Bureau and to pay a fine and costs prescribed by this Ordinance for the parking or standing of a motor vehicle in violation of any law relating to the parking of motor vehicles.

"Vehicle" shall mean every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn on a highway except devices which are moved exclusively by human power or which are used exclusively on stationary rails or tracks and except for a mobile home as defined in Section 2 of Act No. 419 of the Public Acts of 1976 as amended, being Section 125.1102 of the Michigan Compiled Laws as amended.

Section 4 - Establishment of Parking Violations Bureau

Pursuant to Section 8395 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, as amended, being Section 600.8395 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, there is hereby established within the Township of Orion a parking violations bureau to be known as the Charter Township of Orion Parking Violations Bureau.

Section 5 - Operation of Bureau

- A. **Hours.** The bureau shall be open for business 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- B. **Expense.** The expense of operating the bureau shall be borne by the Township.
- C. **Personnel.** The personnel of the bureau shall be Township employees.

Section 6 - Powers and Duties of Bureau

The bureau established herein is hereby authorized:

- A. To accept civil infraction admissions in parking violation cases.
- B. To collect and retain civil fines and costs for parking violations as prescribed by this Ordinance.

Section 7 - Fines and Costs *(amended 05.21.07)*

The fines and costs for parking violations are as follows:

Parking in front of fire hydrant/connection	\$	40.00
Parking in posted fire lane	\$	40.00
Blocking crosswalk, sidewalk, alley, roadway, drive, safety path, or traffic	\$	40.00
Improper or prohibited parking.....	\$	40.00
Parking over 48 hours.....	\$	40.00
Other violation (specify).....	\$	40.00
Prohibited parking - handicap space.....	\$	100.00

Section 8 - Failure to Pay

Failure to pay a fine for a parking violation will result in a State law citation being issued to the violator.

Section 9 - Severability

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the same shall not affect any other part of this Ordinance.

Section 10 - Repeal

All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof insofar as the same may be in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 11 - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication, as provided by law.

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