

Increasing Administrative Parking Penalties

General Committee Deputation
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Enforcement Division



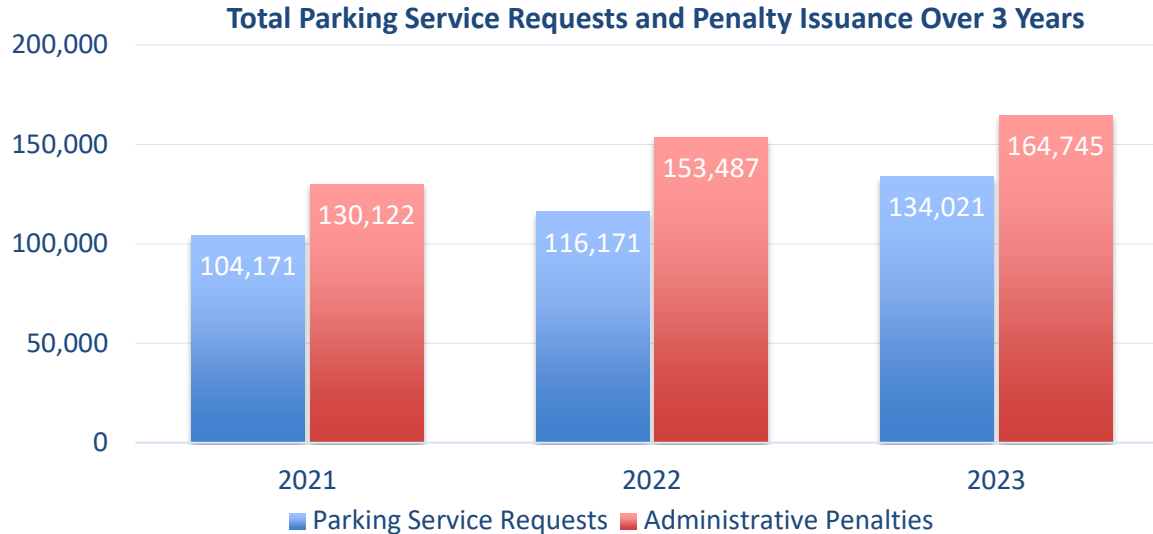
Current State

- The following Schedules of the Administrative Penalty By-law 0282-2013 include 119 penalty amounts that range from \$30 - \$400:
 - Schedule A, Designated By-Law Provisions Traffic By-Law 0555-2000;
 - Schedule A-1, Designated By-Law Provisions Traffic By-Law 0555-2000 Lakefront Increased Penalty Zone;
 - Schedule B, Designated By-Law Provisions Fire Route By-Law 0216-2023; and,
 - Schedule D, Designated By-Law Provisions Accessible Parking By-Law 0010-2016.
- Schedule A-1 was approved by Council in 2021, whereas, Schedules A, B, and D have not been reviewed or changed since 2016.



Current State

- Parking service requests and tickets issuance have been increasing since 2021.
 - Enforcement received 182,096 parking service requests and issued 208,433 parking penalties in 2024. This exceeded 2023 numbers, which already surpassed the previous two years.



Jurisdictional Comparison

- Staff reviewed parking penalties from five comparable jurisdictions: Toronto, Brampton, Ottawa, Hamilton, and Vaughan.
- Mississauga parking penalties were \$25 lower, on average, and had a 38% median percentage difference when compared to average jurisdictional amounts.
- Toronto recently increased penalties for 123 offences on August 1, 2024. Examples of their increases include:
 - parking without paying at a parking meter (increase from \$30 to \$50);
 - parking a prohibited vehicle on a bicycle path (increase from \$60 to \$200); and,
 - parking within 3 metres of a fire hydrant (increase from \$100 to \$125).

Recommended Increase (Schedule A)

- Staff recommend an across-the-board percentage increase to all parking penalties in Schedule A of the Administrative Penalty By-law 0282-2013, with an additional:
 - \$10 increase to penalties identified as (or related to) the City's top parking offences.
 - \$50 to offences as they relate to public safety.
- The proposed increases will result in an average \$28 increase to current parking penalties outlined in Schedule A and will enable the City to better align with the penalty amounts of comparable jurisdictions.

Top Ticketed & Public Safety Parking Offences

Parking offences related to the top issued tickets over the past four years will include an additional increase of \$10.

Top Ticketed Offences

Parking vehicle on private property without owner's consent

Parking a vehicle on a highway between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. during prohibited period contrary to By-law

Parking a vehicle in parking space governed by a parking machine without clearly displaying receipt

Parking vehicle in prohibited area

Parking vehicle longer than five hours

Parking offences related to public safety will include an additional increase of \$50.

Public Safety Offences

Parking/stopping as it relates to obstructing

Parking/stopping as it relates to fire hydrants

Parking/stopping as it relates school zones

Parking/stopping as it relates to heavy vehicles

Parking/stopping as it relates to bicycle lanes

Recommended Increase (Multiple Schedules)

- Staff also recommend increasing:
 - All penalties in Schedule A-1 (Lakefront Increased Penalty Zone) from \$100 to \$150;
 - All penalties in Schedule B (Fire Route) from \$175 to \$225; and,
 - All penalties in Schedule D (Accessible Parking) from \$400 to \$450.
- The recommended \$50 increase to these Schedules' penalties aligns with the approach taken to penalties with heightened public safety concerns in Schedule A.



Implementation

- The implementation date for the increased penalties is **April 1, 2025**.
- Leading up to implementation, staff will be:

Completing by-law
amendments

Updating ticket
issuance systems

Updating
customer service
knowledge bases

Conducting an education
and awareness campaign
about parking rules and
penalty increases

Thank you



Appendix 1: New Parking Offence Amounts - Examples

Penalty	Current Penalty	ATB % Increase	Additional Increase	New Fee
Parking vehicle in permit parking area without displaying a permit	\$30	\$10	-	\$40
Parking vehicle within 5 metres of intersection	\$50	\$20	-	\$70
Parking vehicle longer than five hours	\$35	\$15	\$10	\$60
Parking vehicle on highway between 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. during prohibited period	\$40	\$15	\$10	\$65
Parking vehicle within 3 metres of a fire hydrant	\$50	\$20	\$50	\$120
Parking heavy vehicle within 3 metres of a fire hydrant	\$125	\$50	\$50	\$225
Parking/standing/stopping vehicle in a bicycle lane	\$55	\$25	\$50	\$130