

Legislative Summary

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Clarification of Parking and Impounding Violation Citations

The City of Annapolis Office of Law created this summary for the use of Annapolis City Council members during their consideration of the legislation.

Bill Summary

O-3-25 updates and clarifies the City Code section on parking fine violations.

The City now employs multiple methods for issuing parking fines, requiring the Code to adapt to these new technologies.

Background

On June 14, 2023, the City of Annapolis opened the new Noah Hillman Garage to the public. This garage features a paperless payment system and a streamlined method for managing parking fines. It operates without gates at the entry and exit points, allowing users to pay through an app, text-to-pay options, or kiosks. Similar systems have been implemented across all of the City's public garages.

Parking violations are identified using the vehicle's license plate number, which must be entered into the system at the beginning of the parking process. Violation notices are then mailed to the vehicle owner instead of being placed on the windshield.

Details

O-3-25 updates all of Section 12.20.240 to match current legislative writing style, including copyediting and formatting.



Subsection Changes in Detail

1. 12.20.240(A).

The phrase "shall attach a summons to the vehicle in a conspicuous place" is changed to "shall issue a citation in a form prescribed by the City or the authorized agent."

2. 12.20.240(B).

The notice required before the citation hearing date is increased from five days to ten days.