

Request for Decision

P6M Initiative - Parking Fines Increase

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Administration
Committee

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Recommendation

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to prepare the necessary application to the Regional Senior Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice requesting approval of fines for parking offences set out in the CGS Traffic and Parking By-law 2010-1, as described in this report and that if approved the necessary by-law be prepared.

Finance Implications

If approved, this initiative will result in increased parking fine revenue of \$45,300 which will be included in the 2016 operating budget.

Background

The CGS Traffic By-law, 2010-1, sets out offences for parking which are enforced pursuant to Part II of the *Provincial Offences Act*, through the issuance of parking infraction notices. Fines for the offences in the by-law are payable when offenders park illegally and receive parking tickets. Municipalities have the flexibility to set the penalty for various parking infractions by making an application to the Regional Senior Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice for an Order to approve the penalties.

Analysis

Parking fines were last increased in February, 2010. Staff has reviewed these fines to ensure they are appropriate and provide the deterrence required to motivate drivers to comply with the by-law. Since February, 2010, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Ontario has risen over 9%. To ensure the fines are consistent with the rise in CPI staff is recommending that the fines be increased by the same amount.

The following table describes the current fine schedule and the recommended increases. The Early Payment amounts are offered to defendants to encourage a timelier disposition of the parking infraction, by providing a discount on the set fine if the ticket is paid within 7 days.

The document attached to this report, "OTC Parking Committee, Parking Fine Survey 2015" is provided by The Ontario

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Traffic Commission (OTC) for reference and comparison of parking fines implemented in other municipalities. It was completed in 2015 and indicates that the recommended fine amounts in this report in the following table are within the median of other municipalities.

Current and Recommended Fines

Fine Type	Current		Recommended	
	Early Payment	Set Fine	Early Payment	Set Fine
General Parking Offences	20	26	22	28
Winter Control Parking Offence	30	40	33	44
Stop when Prohibited	25	35	27	38
Paid Parking Offences	15	20	17	22
Park in Fire Route		45		50
Park in Designated Accessible Space – No Permit		300		327

Financial Implications

In 2014 the revenue collected from parking fines was \$671,738. With no expected increase in parking enforcement activity, 9% amounts to an increase of approximately \$60,456, annually. It is expected that once submitted, the approvals and administrative adjustments to the increase in fines will be complete and ready to be implemented within the first quarter of 2016, projecting approximately \$45,300 increase in parking fine revenue for 2016.

Conclusion

As parking fines have not been increased since 2010, staff is recommending that they be increased consistent with the increase in CPI in Ontario. This will maintain a sustainable revenue source and provide an incentive for motorists to comply with the regulations set out in the Traffic and Parking By-law. type o

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Parking Fine Survey

June 2015

#	City	Meter	Obstruct Traffic	Interfering with Snow Removal	2 am to 6am Nov - Mar/Apr	Heavy Vehicle	Municipal Lots	Private Property	No Parking	No Stopping	Fire Route	Disabled Parking
1	Aurora	N/A	\$30.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$70.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$300.00
2	Brampton	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$75.00	\$35.00	\$100.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$350.00
3	Brantford	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$300.00
4	Burlington	\$23.00	\$46.00	\$100.00	\$46.00	\$100.00	\$23.00	\$46.00	\$46.00	\$62.00	\$100.00	\$400.00
5	Cambridge	\$25.00	\$25.00	N/A	\$25.00	\$45.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$45.00	\$81.00	\$301.00
6	Grimsby	N/A	\$40.00	N/A	\$20.00 (regional Road)	\$50.00 (9pm-8am)	N/A	N/A	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$300.00
7	Guelph	\$15.00	\$40.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$300.00
8	Halton Hills	n/a	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$350.00
9	Hamilton	\$24.00	N/A	\$75.00	\$33.00	\$100.00	\$24.00	\$50.00	\$33.00	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$350.00
10	Kingston	\$15.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	N/A	\$300.00
11	Kitchener	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$80.00	\$30.00	\$45.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$45.00	\$75.00	\$300.00
12	London	\$25.00	\$30.00	N/A	3am-5am \$35	\$90.00	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$55.00	\$100.00	\$375.00
13	Markham	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$150.00	\$50.00 (2:30 am-6am year-round)	N/A	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
14	Midland	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	20 (12:01am - 7:00am, Nov-Apr)	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$300.00
15	Milton	N/A	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$40.00 (year round)	\$100.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$75.00	\$300.00
16	Mississauga	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$100.00	\$350.00
17	Niagara Falls	\$20.00	\$50.00	N/A	\$25.00	\$80.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$95.00	\$300.00
18	Niagara on the Lake	\$25.00	\$35 > \$40	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$400.00
19	Oakville	\$20.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$100.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$350.00
20	Orangeville	N/A	\$15.00-\$22.00	\$20.00-\$25.00	\$20.00 - \$25.00	\$15.00 - \$22.00	\$15.00-\$22.00	N/A	\$15.00-\$22.00	N/A	\$50.00 - \$75.00	\$300.00-\$375.00
21	Oshawa	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$30 (3am-6am Dec1-Apr1)	\$60.00	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$45 (school zone \$60)	\$100.00	\$300.00
22	Owen Sound	\$10.00	\$30.00	N/A	\$30.00 1am - 7am	N/A	\$10.00	\$10.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$300.00
23	Sarnia	\$20.00	\$25.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$300.00
24	Sault St. Marie	\$10.00	N/A	\$20.00	\$15.00	N/A	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$300.00
25	Stratford	\$20.00	N/A	N/A	\$20.00 (year-round)	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
26	Toronto	\$30	\$60	\$60	\$40 Dec 1 - Mar 31	\$90	\$30	\$30	\$40	\$60 Rush Hour \$150	\$250 Fire Hydrant \$100	\$450
27	Welland	\$14.00	\$30.00	\$60.00	N/A	\$75 (\$250 on private or public property)	\$14.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$45.00	\$100.00	\$300.00
28	Windsor	\$17.00	\$100.00	\$30.00	N/A	\$50.00	\$17.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$85.00	\$350.00