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Date: To:	April 8, 2025 Weber County Board of County Commissioners	'Y
From:	Sean Wilkinson Source Director, Community Development Department	
Subject:	Public hearing regarding the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 42-4-8 of the Weber County Code of Ordinances	
Agenda Date:	April 22, 2025	
Documents:	Exhibit A: Ordinance Amendment	

**Summary:** Weber County has seen an increase in parking violations near Pineview Reservoir and Causey Reservoirs, particularly during summer months (May 15<sup>th</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>). These parking violations create a public safety hazard by increasing pedestrian traffic near moving vehicles and by reducing the travel space available for vehicular traffic, including emergency vehicles. In an effort to improve this situation and deter parking violations in these areas, increased fines for parking violations are being proposed. Currently, parking violations in these areas result in a fine of \$50 if paid within 14 days, and \$100 if paid after 14 days. The new fines shall apply as follows:

- May 15th through September 15th each year on any highway or road where Weber County has parking enforcement authority in the following two locations: (i) the road to Causey Reservoir, and all roads branching off of it, east of the entrance to the Weber Memorial Park campground; and (ii) all locations within one quarter mile of the Pineview Reservoir high water mark.
  - For a vehicle owner who has had no violations during the one-year period before the date of the citation:
    - If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$150.00.
    - 2. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$300.00.
  - For a vehicle owner who has had one or more previous violations during the one-year period before the date of the citation:
    - If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$300.00.
    - 2. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$600.00.
- All other locations and times.
  - The fines shall be as follows:
    - If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$50.00.
    - 2. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$100.00.

# Exhibit A

# ORDINANCE NO.

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARKING VIOLATION FINES

**WHEREAS,** Weber County has seen an increase in parking violations near Pineview Reservoir and Causey Reservoir, particularly during summer months; and

**WHEREAS,** these parking violations create a public safety hazard by increasing pedestrian traffic near moving vehicles and by reducing the travel space that is available for vehicular traffic, including emergency vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that existing parking fines are insufficient to deter parking violations in these areas;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Board of County Commissioners of Weber County ordains as follows:

1. Section 42-4-8 of the Code of Ordinances of Weber County, Utah, is amended as follows:

Existing code section being amended

#### Section 42-4-8 Fine

Any person who violates the provisions of this chapter shall be liable for a civil fine. If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days, the fine shall be \$50.00. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$100.00.

Amended code section

# Section 42-4-8 Fine

Any person who violates the provisions of this chapter shall be liable for a civil fine in the amounts listed in this section.

- (a) From May 15th through September 15th each year, the fines in this subsection shall apply on any highway or road where Weber County has parking enforcement authority in the following two locations: (i) the road to Causey Reservoir, and all roads branching off of it, east of the entrance to the Weber Memorial Park campground; and (ii) all locations within one quarter mile of the Pineview Reservoir high water mark.
  - (1) For a vehicle owner who has had no violations of this chapter during the one-year period before the date of the citation:

- a. If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$150.00.
- b. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$300.00.
- (2) For a vehicle owner who has had one or more previous violations of this chapter during the one-year period before the date of the citation:
  - a. If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$300.00.
  - b. If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$600.00.
- (b) For all other locations and times, the fines shall be as follows:
  - (1) If the fine is paid within 14 days from the date of the notice of violation, or if the citation is contested with a hearing officer within 14 days but is sustained, the fine shall be \$50.00.
  - (2) If the fine is not paid or contested within 14 days, the fine shall be increased to \$100.00.
- 2. Effective date and publication
  - a. This ordinance shall take effect 15 days after its passage.
  - b. The Clerk/Auditor's office is directed to publish a short summary of this ordinance in the *Standard Examiner* newspaper before 15 days after the date of its passage.

PASSED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY

By\_

Sharon Bolos, Chair

Commissioner Bolos voted Commissioner Froerer voted Commissioner Harvey voted

ATTEST:

Ricky Hatch, CPA Weber County Clerk/Auditor

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

# SUMMARY OF WEBER COUNTY ORDINANCE NO.

# SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE OF WEBER COUNTY AMENDING PARKING VIOLATION FINES

On \_\_\_\_\_\_, the Board of County Commissioners of Weber County adopted Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_\_, which increases parking fines near Pineview and Causey reservoirs during summer months.

Commissioners \_\_\_\_\_\_ voted in favor of this ordinance.

(If applicable) Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_\_ voted against this ordinance.

The complete text of the ordinance is available at the Weber County Clerk/Auditor's Office at 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, Utah.

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