



Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Richard C. Irvin

FROM: Aurora Police Department Traffic Division

DATE: September 8, 2023

SUBJECT:

A Resolution amending R20-272, regarding maximum tow and storage charges for the City of Aurora.

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 46 of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances calls for the city to maintain a “Tow Roster” (Sec. 46.4) of firms who have been selected and designated to provide services for the Aurora Police Department. Firms are required to apply and meet specific requirements in order to work with the city. The city in turn is responsible for setting and maintaining the fees firms are allowed to charge for services.

In early 2019, the City of Aurora passed Resolution R19-008 (attached), amending the maximum fees which may be charged by any tow company permitted to tow for the City of Aurora. Prior to that, the last time the fees were amended was in 2008 (R08-250, attached) in spite of the Resolution calling for a review and adjustment as needed every two years. The fees implemented in 2019 were not increased in 2021, this item does propose some changes over the next two year period.

DISCUSSION:

As directed by the Resolution, the Traffic Division has reviewed the fees approved by the City Council in 2019, and would like make the changed outlined below and in Exhibit A.

Proposed Tow Rates and Storage Fees

Tow Charges	2002 (R02-594)	2008 (R08-250)	2019 (R19-008)	2021 (R20-272)	Proposed 2023
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 140.00	XXXXXX
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.	\$ 140.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	XXXXXX
Sat./Sun./Holidays	\$ 140.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	XXXXXX
Standard Tow	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	\$ 175.00
Accident Tow	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	\$ 200.00
After business hours release fee		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00

Storage Fees (Begin at the 25th hour)					
Inside Storage	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	XXXXXX
Outside Storage	\$ 20.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	XXXXXX
Storage Fees (Begin at the 25th	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	\$ 50.00

IMPACT STATEMENT:

The renewal of this fee structure will have a positive impact on the APD Traffic Division and will be reviewed in another two years.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is respectfully requested the renewal of this fee structure be forwarded by the Finance Committee to the Committee of the Whole for full Council review and discussion.

cc: Finance Committee



CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. _____
DATE OF PASSAGE _____

A Resolution updating all fees pertaining to Chapter 46 of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances Entitled "Towing Services".

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora has a population of more than 25,000 persons and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the City of Aurora to amend the fees related to the tow list and the maximum tow fees charged by any towing operator in the City of Aurora, when removing a vehicle from the street in response to a police call, as well as the maximum storage charges for any such towed vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, as follows: upon passage of this Resolution, pursuant to Chapter 46, R20-272 is hereby repealed and replaced with "Exhibit A" pursuant to Chapter 46, Sec. 46.65., all previous rates pertaining to Sec. 46.65 are hereby repealed and replaced with "Exhibit A" effective January 1, 2024.