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# *Huntington Municipal Parking Board Announces New Downtown Fine Structure*

**HUNTINGTON, WV** — The Huntington Municipal Parking Board (HMPB) announces the implementation of a new $10.00 parking fine for downtown Huntington.

The Huntington City Council recently approved an amendment to City Ordinance Article 363, increasing the base parking fine from $5.00 to $10.00, effective June 1, 2026. This marks the first increase in the base parking fine in more than 50 years.

Fines will increase if citations are not paid promptly:

- $10.00 initial fine
- $30.00 after seven (7) days
- $50.00 after fourteen (14) days

In addition, a citation may be issued for each hour a parking meter remains expired. Vehicles may also be immobilized, or "booted," after accumulating two past-due unpaid citations.

Downtown Huntington on-street parking rates will remain unchanged at $0.25 per hour. On-street parking is enforced Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parking remains free on weekends and all City holidays.

The update aligns with programmatic recommendations from the KYOVA Downtown Huntington Parking Study, which identified the city's current parking fines as significantly lower than those in peer cities and similarly sized downtown areas. The study noted that existing fine levels do little to discourage violations or long-term parking in high-demand spaces.

"Increasing parking fines is intended to encourage turnover and improve parking availability in busy downtown areas," said Kirk Dodrill, Executive Director of the Parking Board. "The goal is to support access for customers, visitors, and businesses throughout downtown Huntington."

Motorists may look up past parking tickets online at ticketlookup.com/huntington.

For more information, contact the Huntington Municipal Parking Board at 304-696-5909. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.