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**Item No. 15.1.2**  
**Halifax Regional Council**  
**April 25, 2023**  
**May 23, 2023**

**TO:** Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

**SUBMITTED BY:** Original Signed

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Denise Schofield, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** April 13, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Pay Station and Other Parking Fine Incremental Increases

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### **ORIGIN**

This is a staff-initiated report following the June 14, 2022 Regional Council Report titled Increase to Paid Parking Violations where Council directed staff to increase pay station fines from \$35 to \$45.

### **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

*Motor Vehicle Act*, RSNS 1989 c 293, section 153:

#### **Municipal parking meter by-law**

153 (1) Notwithstanding Section 152, the council of a city, town or municipality may by by-law prohibit or restrict the parking or leaving standing of vehicles except in accordance with a sign or device on a parking meter.

By-law P-500, the Parking Meter By-law

Summary Proceedings Act and the Summary Offense Ticket Regulations

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council adopt By-law P-510, amending By-law P-500, as set out in Attachment B to this report.

### **BACKGROUND**

On January 15, 2019, Regional Council requested the Mayor write a letter to the Province requesting the required amendments to the Summary Offence Ticket Regulations to increase fine amounts to Category A, B and C (parking) offences. Staff has followed up on this request on several occasions on behalf of Council.

On February 11, 2022, during the budget presentation at the Budget Committee, Committee requested a briefing note on the proposed parking ticket fee increase to the P-500 Parking Meter By-Law fine amount from \$35 (\$30 if paid in 7 days) to \$45 (\$40 if paid in 7 days).

On March 23, 2022, during the BAL deliberations, the Committee approved the parking ticket fee increase to the P-500 Parking Meter By-Law fine amount from \$35 (\$30 if paid in 7 days) to \$45 (\$40 if paid in 7

days).

During the debate, Councillor Outhit asked questions about the ability to impose incremental fees for repeat offenders. This report outlines the options and implications associated with incremental fines.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **First, Second and Third Offence for Category A, B and C Parking Offences**

The Provincial Government is responsible for setting all parking fine violations as set out in the Summary Offence Ticket Booklet<sup>1</sup>.

The current Category A fine amount is \$25. Violations in this category include:

- Stopping or parking, where prohibited by sign;
- Stopping or parking at bus stop or taxi stand;
- Stopping or parking in passenger zone or loading zone when not loading or unloading;
- Stopping or parking on or within 5m of a crosswalk;
- Stopping or parking within 5m of a fire hydrant;
- Stopping or parking in an intersection;
- Stopping or parking on sidewalk; and
- Stopping or parking in front of driveway, etc.

The current Category B fine amount is \$50. The violations in this category are:

- Parking when less than 4.5m width of roadway remains for traffic;
- Parking when vehicle cannot be viewed clearly from 60m away;
- Parking in manner that might interfere with snow removal or winter maintenance;
- Parking within 150m of fire apparatus stopped in response to fire alarm; and
- Parking vehicle contrary to temporary regulations to cover emergency or special conditions.

The current Category C fine amount is \$100. The violations in this category are:

- Parked on left-hand roadway of divided highway;
- Stopped or parked in Fire lane;
- Stopping or parking in accessible parking zone without mobility disabled identification permit; and
- Stopping or parking on private property marked for the use by mobility-disabled person without mobility disabled identification permit.

Following correspondence between the Mayor and Ministers Furey (2019) and Masland (2021), staff has met with representatives from the Province regarding Council's request to increase fines for parking in category A, B and C (parking). To date, there has not been much movement to advance requested increases. Staff has identified an interim way to increase fines within the existing legislative framework. The current Nova Scotia Department of Justice Summary Offence Ticket Booklet references first, second and third or subsequent offence out of court settlement amounts. Second and third settlement amounts had not previously been applied due to technology limitations and the inability for an officer to know the history of a plate. With the recent adoption of the integrated parking technology, staff now can record repeat offenders and issue different violation amounts from their handhelds.

These higher fine amounts can only be applied when the offence has entered the court system, meaning, the accused can pay the lowest or "first offence" out of court amount up to their court date. The Province will continue to collect these fine amounts and remit to the municipality per the existing agreement. Staff anticipate that this will result in repeat offenders paying the out of court settlement sooner, resulting in reduced burden on the court system and less over time for municipal staff.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://novascotia.ca/just/regulations/sots/NSSOTbooklet.pdf>

Implementing this approach may cause confusion or frustration for residents. As thresholds are only listed as first, second and third, officers have the autonomy to determine when to issue a fine at a higher fine amount or at a first offence level. Language will need to be adjusted on the parking infraction ticket to reflect that an out of court settlement can be paid at a lower amount up to the court date. This practice is similar to that of a paid parking ticket where it currently states options to pay a lower amount within the first seven days.

Staff has worked to define “offence” as a conviction. Meaning, if a ticket is paid, or found guilty in court, it would be counted as an offence. On average, the lifecycle of a ticket being issued to court outcome is nine months.

| <b>Fine Category</b> | <b>Offence</b> | <b>Fine Amount</b> |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Category A           | first offence  | \$25               |
|                      | second offence | \$50               |
|                      | third offence  | \$100              |
| Category B           | first offence  | \$50               |
|                      | second offence | \$100              |
|                      | third offence  | \$200              |
| Category C           | first offence  | \$100              |
|                      | second offence | \$200              |
|                      | third offence  | \$400              |

**First, Second and Third Offence for Pay Station Violations**

Regional Council has the authority to set the fine associated with violating the pay station By-law. Regional Council approved an increase to the pay station violation fine from \$35 (\$30 if paid in the first seven days) to \$45 (\$40 if paid in the first seven days) in March 2022. While staff do not recommend a further increase to the paid parking violation, Regional Council may wish to consider implementing a first, second and third offence category approach similar to that of the existing Summary Offence Out of Court Settlement Amounts for Category A, B and C (parking). This would mean that for general users, ticket fees would remain the same for paid parking violations. However, as this fine category is not safety related, staff recommend legislating thresholds to provide clarity for residents and for staff. For those with more than five violation convictions in the previous 12 months, they would be bumped up to the second offence tier.

Staff propose the following:

| <b>Fine Category</b>  | <b>Conviction Threshold*</b> | <b>Fine Amount</b>                          |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Pay Station Violation | Tickets 1-5                  | \$45 (\$40 if paid within the first 7 days) |
|                       | Tickets 6-12                 | \$65  |
|                       | More than 12 tickets         | \$85  |

\*tickets accumulated within the previous 12 months

This would require an amendment to Section 17 of the Pay Station By-law P-500, as set out in Attachment B of this report.

**Jurisdictional Scan**

| <b>City</b> | <b>Incremental Fine Increase</b> | <b>Notes</b>              |
|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| CBRM        | Yes                              | Fire Lane Violations Only |
| Hamilton    | No                               |                           |
| London      | No                               |                           |
| Montreal    | No                               |                           |

| <b>City</b> | <b>Incremental Fine Increase</b> | <b>Notes</b> |
|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Oshawa      | Yes                              |              |
| Ottawa      | No                               |              |
| Toronto     | No                               |              |
| Saskatoon   | No                               |              |
| Victoria    | No                               |              |
| Winnipeg    | No                               |              |

**Housekeeping Changes**

With the advent of updating P-500 to include incremental fines, staff took the opportunity to implement the following administrative and language changes:

- Adding the wording “electronic payment, or Mobile App” to Section 4A as currently it only mentions purchasing time from the pay station itself.
- Removing “or pay stations” from Section 6 as this section applies to large vehicles occupying more than one parking space. Pay stations refer to pay parking zones.
- Repealed Section 8A(5) and added Section 8A(5A) to show that the license plate and amount of time purchased are retained by the pay station software, not the pay station itself.
- Added debit card to the payment section of the By-law so that we now have coin, credit card, debit card, electronic payment, and mobile app.
- Adding “without payment” to section 12A(2)(a) to bring the violation section in line with section 12A(1).
- Removing “pay station” and “or pay parking zone” from section 13B(3)(b) as the pay stations do not say out of order.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Based on historical data of cumulative tickets, staff estimate that introducing incremental fines for categories A, B and C (parking) will result in an estimated \$90,000 in ticket revenue annually. This amount will be collected by the Province, after the ticket enters the court system. Based on the Province’s collection methods, HRM can expect the fine amount returned within five years of the ticket being issued. Based on historical data of cumulative tickets for paid parking violations, staff estimate implementing incremental fines for pay station violations will result in \$260,000 annually.

Staff anticipate with the introduction of incremental fines, that behaviours will change, including the speed to which residents pay for their first offence as this will result in a “conviction” and could potentially move them into the next fine category, therefore affecting projected revenues. It is the hope of staff that incremental fees would encourage behaviour change, which is the goal of enforcement.

Staff in both Parking and Legal Services are mindful that adopting a tiered fine approach may result in increased pressure on staffing, specifically in preparing and arguing in court. The impacts are not known at this time but will continue to be monitored by staff.

### **RISK CONSIDERATION**

Reputational risks should be considered. Staff is not aware of any other town or municipality in the province pursuing second and third offences for Categories A and B (parking) under the Provincial Summary Offence Ticket Booklet.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

No community engagement was conducted as part of this report.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

No environmental implications were identified.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Halifax Regional Council may:

1. request the Mayor write a letter to the Province to consider increasing the first offence fines in each Category under the *Motor Vehicle Act*;
2. adopt amending By-law P-510 subject to modifications. This may include proposing alternate fine amounts or conviction thresholds for second and third offences for paid parking violations not considered in this report. This may require a supplementary staff report;
3. refuse to adopt By-law P-510. This would maintain status quo. This alternative is not recommended.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A: Showing Proposed Changes to By-law P-500

Attachment B: Amending By-law P-510

Attachment C: Nova Scotia Summary Offence Ticket Booklet

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A copy of this report can be obtained online at [halifax.ca](http://halifax.ca) or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
BY-LAW P-500  
RESPECTING PARKING METERS AND PAY STATIONS FOR THE REGULATION  
OF PARKING OF VEHICLES LEFT STANDING IN THE  
HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality pursuant to Section 153 of the Motor Vehicle Act as follows:

**1. Short Title**

This By-law shall be known as By-law P-500 and may be cited as the “Parking Meter By-law.”

**2. Application**

The public streets and highways in the Halifax Regional Municipality and parts thereof to which this By-law applies are those upon which, under Council authority, parking meters and pay stations, have from time to time been installed.

**2A. Interpretation**

In this By-law,

- (a) repealed.
- (b) "commercial motor vehicle" means a commercial motor vehicle as defined in the *Motor Vehicle Act*;
- (ba) “conviction” includes payment of a penalty under section 17;
- (c) “electronic payment” means payment by means of a device to the Municipality or to a person contracted with the Municipality to accept payment;
- (ca) “mobile application (mobile app)” means a system established by or on behalf of the Municipality, accessible by way of a cell phone or other device, which, when activated by the owner or operator, records the pay parking zone in or the parking meter at which the vehicle is parked, the licence plate of the parked vehicle, and the time required for the use of the parking space;
- (d) “Municipality” means Halifax Regional Municipality;

- (e) “parking meter” means a mechanical or electronic device that indicates a period of time shall be purchased by payment during which parking is permitted in the parking space to which such meter relates;
- (f) “parking space” means a space for parking a vehicle controlled and regulated by a parking meter or pay station;
- (g) “pay parking zone” means an area of a roadway marked by signs that indicates a period of time to park shall be purchased from a pay station;
- (h) “pay station” means a mechanical or electronic device that indicates a period of time shall be purchased by payment during which parking is permitted in the pay parking zone to which such station relates, excluding a parking meter; and
- (i) “Peace Officer” means a police officer, by-law enforcement officer or a special constable appointed pursuant to the *Police Act*.

### **3. Placing of Parking Meters and Pay Stations**

- (1) A parking meter installed in the Municipality shall be placed on the sidewalk and shall designate the parking space associated with it as hereinafter set forth.
- (2) A pay station installed in the Municipality shall be placed in the right of way in the pay parking zone associated with it.

### **4. Parking Spaces**

- (1) The parking space provided with each parking meter shall be of sufficient size to be accessible and accommodate one standard passenger automobile. The placing of vehicles shall be as follows:

- (a) when parking is parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway, the foremost part of the vehicle shall be placed within a space measured along the curb not more than 100 millimeters beyond the parking meter nor more than one meter in measurement to the rear of the parking meter;

- (b) when the parking is established at an angle to the edge of the roadway, this shall be appropriately marked or signed, and unless otherwise indicated, a vehicle parked at an angle where parking meters have been installed shall be placed in contact with the curb immediately to the right of the parking meter which applies to the vehicle; and

- (c) when two parking meters are supported by one standard, a vehicle shall be parked in the parking space in front of or to the rear of the standard.

- (3) Repealed.

(3A) No part of the vehicle shall be parked beyond the standard, and the nearest part of the vehicle to the standard shall be no farther than one meter from it, measured parallel to the curb.

**4A.** Where a pay parking zone is established by the Traffic Authority and a period of time is purchased **by electronic payment, mobile app, or** at a pay station:

- (a) a vehicle shall be parked parallel to the curb or edge of the roadway; or
- (b) where appropriately marked and signed, a vehicle shall be parked at an angle to the curb or edge of a roadway.

## **5. Marking of Space**

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this By-law, special limitations of a parking space may be marked and where so marked, such limitation shall govern the permissible location of a vehicle.

(2) It shall be an offence and a violation of the By-law for any driver to park or leave standing any vehicle beyond such line or marking, except as provided for in subsection 1 of this section.

(3) Not more than one motor vehicle shall be parked in each parking space described in Section 4 and subsection 5(1) above.

### **5A. Meter Number**

A parking meter or pay station shall be identified by a number which shall be known as the meter number.

### **5B. Pay Parking Zone Number**

Every Pay Parking Zone shall be identified by a unique set of alphanumeric characters which shall be known as the Pay Parking Zone number.

## **6. Large Vehicles**

In the case of parallel parking, where the dimensions of a large vehicle are such that the vehicle extends into an adjacent parking space, the vehicle shall be considered to occupy all spaces so affected, and the driver shall be responsible for payment in all applicable parking meters ~~or pay stations~~.

## **7. Indication of Time for Parking Meter**

(1) Each parking meter installed shall have thereon an appropriate sign or display stating the parking time permitted in the individual parking space to which it relates.



- (2) When in operation, each parking meter shall indicate by a receipt, digital display or notification to a remote device the period of time acquired by a payment during which parking is permitted in the parking space to which such parking meter relates.
- (3) Upon the expiration of the period of time permitted for parking, the parking meter or remote device shall indicate that parking in such space is in violation of this Bylaw.
- (4) Each parking meter shall bear thereon directions indicating the days and hours when payment is required and the period of time that may be purchased for parking.
- (5) Each parking meter and remote device shall retain electronically, for at least 24 hours, the license plate number and the amount of time purchased for each transaction during which parking is permitted via electronic payment.
- (6) The amount of time retained under subsection (5) of this section, may be accessed remotely or otherwise by a Peace Officer to determine if a vehicle has purchased an amount of time to park at the parking meter or whether the amount of time purchased to park at the parking meter has expired.

**8.** Repealed.

**8A. Indication of Time for Pay Station**

- (1) A sign in the pay parking zone shall indicate the hours and days when payment is required to park in the pay parking zone, and the maximum amount of time that a vehicle may be parked in the pay parking zone in a twenty-four hour period.
- (2) The maximum time a vehicle may be parked under subsection (1) of this section shall include the total of any intervals of time that may be purchased.
- (3) Parking is permitted in a pay parking zone when:
  - (a) the following is entered into the pay station or submitted through electronic payment or mobile app;
    - (i) the license plate number of the vehicle parked in the pay parking zone,
    - (ii) the period of time to be purchased, and
    - (iii) the required fee for the time entered in sub clause (ii) is paid in full; and
  - (b) the maximum amount of time that a vehicle may be parked in the pay parking zone has not been exceeded.

- (4) Repealed.
- (5) ~~Each operational pay station shall retain electronically, for at least 24 hours, the license plate number and the amount of time purchased for each transaction during which parking is permitted in the pay parking zone.~~  
Repealed.

(5A) The license plate number and the amount of time purchased for each transaction during which parking is permitted in the pay parking zone for an operational pay station shall be retained for at least 24 hours.

- (6) The amount of time retained under subsection (5) of this section, may be accessed remotely or otherwise by a Peace Officer to determine if a vehicle has purchased an amount of time to park in the pay parking zone or whether the amount of time purchased to park in the pay parking zone has expired.

## 9. Payment

- (1) When used in directions on a parking meter or pay station the required payment shall refer only to lawful money of Canada.
- (2) Council may, by resolution, allow for electronic payment and mobile app for parking.
- (3) Where so indicated on the parking meter or pay station, payment shall be made by:
- (a) coin,
  - (b) debit or credit card, or
  - (c) if subsection 2 applies, by electronic payment and mobile app.

## 10. Parking Rates

The rate for parking meters and pay stations within the Municipality shall be set by the Council of the Municipality from time to time.

## 11. Parking in Excess of Time Allowed

- (1) It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for the driver of a vehicle to park or leave the same standing in any parking space regulated by a parking meter or pay station for a period of time in excess of the maximum period allowed by the direction set forth on such parking meters or pay station regardless of the payment deposited or whether the word "expired" is visible in the observation window of the

parking meter or where the meter has a digital display reading "00:00" or the time indicated on the receipt provided under section 8A has expired.

(2) When the driver of any vehicle has parked or left standing in any parking space for a period of time in excess of the maximum period of time allowed by the directions set forth on such parking meter or pay station it shall be a new and separate offence for each additional hour that an offence continues.

**12. Repealed.**

### **12A Commercial**

(1) The driver of a commercial motor vehicle, may park or leave such commercial motor vehicle standing in any parking space for the purpose of loading or unloading goods, wares, merchandise, materials or passengers for any period of time not exceeding thirty minutes, without depositing any payment in the parking meter or pay station relating to such parking space.

(2) It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for the driver of a commercial motor vehicle:

- (a) to park or leave a commercial vehicle standing in any parking space for any period of time in excess of thirty minutes **without payment**; or
- (b) notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, to fail to comply with the direction set forth on the parking meter or pay station relating to such parking space.

**13. Repealed.**

**13A Repealed.**

### **13B. Unlawful to Park**

(1) It shall be an offence and violation of this By-law for the driver of a vehicle to park or leave standing a vehicle in a parking space that is not part of a pay parking zone:

- (a) if a period of time for parking has not been purchased from a parking meter;
- (b) if the parking meter display window related to the parking space indicates that the time purchased has expired by showing the word "Expired" or the digits "00:00"; or
- (c) if the remote device indicates that the time purchased by electronic payment has expired.

(2) It shall be an offence and violation of this By-law for the driver of a vehicle to park or leave standing a vehicle in a pay parking zone:

- (a) if a period of time for parking has not been purchased from a pay station or mobile app;
- (b) if the pay station related to the parking space in the pay parking zone indicates that the time purchased for parking has expired; or
- (c) if the remote device indicates that the time purchased by electronic payment has expired; or
- (d) if the pay station or mobile app indicates that parking is unavailable in the zone.

(3) Unless the vehicle is parked in excess of the maximum time allowed pursuant to Section 11, there is no violation of subsection (1) or (2) of this Section if:

- (a) the vehicle is parked pursuant to the provisions of Section 12A of the By-law; or
- (b) the phrase "Out of Order" is visible in the observation window of the parking meter ~~or pay station~~ relating to the parking space ~~or pay parking zone~~ where the vehicle is parked or left standing.

#### **14. Unlawful to Deposit**

It shall be an offence and a violation of this By-law for any person to deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter or pay station in the Municipality any device, slug, dice, metallic substance, or other substitute for the payment permitted to be deposited in accordance with this By-law.

#### **15. Parking Administrator to be in Charge of Parking Meters and Pay Stations**

The operation, maintenance, regulation and use of all parking meters and pay stations installed in the Municipality shall be under the authority of the Council of the Municipality and under the management, supervision, and direction of the Parking Administrator for the Municipality.

#### **16. Enforcement**

This By-law may be enforced by any Peace Officer.

#### **17. Penalty**

(1) A person who contravenes any section of this By-law is liable upon summary conviction to a penalty of ~~not less than forty-five dollars (\$45.00)~~ :

- (a) for the first five or less convictions within a period of 12 months, not less than forty-five dollars (\$45.00);
- (b) for the sixth to twelfth convictions within a period of 12 months, not less than sixty-five dollars (\$65.00); and
- (c) for more than twelve convictions within a period of 12 months, not less than eight-five dollars (\$85.00),

and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not less than seven (7) days.

(1A) For the purpose of subsection (1), the period of 12 months is the period of time that ends on the calendar day before the date of the current offence, and commences 12 months before that end day, and includes both days.

(2) A person who has violated this By-law and is given notice of the violation may pay the applicable fine as set out in subsection (1) ~~forty-five dollars (\$45.00)~~ for each hour of violation to the Municipality, however, provided that such payment is made within a period of seven (7) days following the day on which the alleged violation was committed, then the said payment shall be reduced by five dollars (\$5) ~~to forty dollars (\$40.00)~~ for each hour of violation and, in any case, such payment shall be in full satisfaction, releasing and discharging all penalties and imprisonments incurred by the person for the violation or violations.

#### **17A. Liability of owner and driver**

(1) It is an offence to be the registered owner of a vehicle that is parked or left standing in violation of this By-law, whether or not the registered owner is the driver at the time of the violation.

(2) The owner of a motor vehicle shall incur the fine provided for any violation of this By-law unless at the time of such violation the motor vehicle was in the possession of some person other than the owner without the owner's consent, either expressed or implied, and the driver of a motor vehicle not being the owner shall also incur the penalties or other consequences provided for any such violation.

(3) The owner of a motor vehicle who incurs a fine under subsection (2) is not in any event liable to imprisonment.

#### **Exemption from Parking Restrictions**

**17B.** Council has adopted the *On-Street Parking Permits By-law* which exempts certain persons or vehicles from parking restrictions within the Municipality, including parking meters and pay stations, and provides for permits to be issued to those who are exempted.

**18.** By-law P-200 of the City of Dartmouth, as amended, and the Parking Meter By-law of the City of Halifax, as amended, are repealed.

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Mayor

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Municipal Clerk

I, Vi Carmichael, Municipal Clerk of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above noted by-law was passed at a meeting of the Halifax Regional Council held on December 16, 1997.

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Vi Carmichael  
Municipal Clerk

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
BY-LAW P-510  
RESPECTING PARKING METERS FOR THE REGULATION OF PARKING OF VEHICLES  
LEFT STANDING IN THE HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality pursuant to Section 153 of the Motor Vehicle Act, that By-law P-500, the Parking Meter By-law is amended as follows:

1. Section 2A is amended by adding the following clause after clause 2A(b) and before clause 2A(c):
  - (ba) “conviction” includes payment of a penalty under section 17;
2. Section 4A is amended by adding the words and commas “by electronic payment, mobile app, or” after the word “purchased” and before the word “at”.
3. Section 6 is amended by striking out the words “or pay stations” after the word “meters”.
4. Section 8A is amended by:
  - (a) repealing subsection 8A(5); and
  - (b) inserting the following subsection after the newly repealed subsection 8A(5) and before subsection 8A(6):
    - (5A) The license plate number and the amount of time purchased for each transaction during which parking is permitted in the pay parking zone for an operational pay station shall be retained for at least 24 hours.
5. Section 9 is amended by adding the words “debit or” before the word “credit” in clause 9(3)(b).
6. Section 12A is amended by adding the words “without payment” after the word “minutes” and before the semi-colon in clause 12A(2)(a).
7. Section 13B is amended by:
  - (a) striking out the words “or pay station” after the word “meter” and before the word “relating” in clause 13B(3)(b); and
  - (b) striking out the words “or pay parking zone” after the word “space” and before the word “where” in clause 13B(3)(b).
8. Section 17 is amended by:
  - (a) striking out the words, brackets, numbers and dollar sign “not less than forty-five dollars (\$45.00)” after the word “of” and before the word “and” in subsection (1);

- (b) adding a colon after the word “of” in subsection (1);
- (c) adding the following after the newly inserted colon in subsection (1):
  - (a) for the first five or less convictions in a calendar year, not less than forty-five dollars (\$45.00);
  - (b) for the sixth to twelfth convictions in a calendar year, not less than sixty-five dollars (\$65.00); and
  - (c) for more than twelve convictions in a calendar year, not less than eight-five dollars (\$85.00),
- (d) inserting the following subsection immediately after subsection (1) and before subsection (2):
  - (1A) For the purpose of subsection (1), the period of 12 months is the period of time that ends on the calendar day before the date of the current offence, and commences 12 months before that end day, and includes both days.
- (e) striking out the words, brackets, numbers, and dollar sign “forty-five (\$45.00)” after the word “pay” and before the word “for” in subsection (2) and replacing them with the words, brackets, number and comma “the applicable fine as set out in subsection (1),”; and
- (f) striking out the words, brackets, numbers and dollar sign “to forty dollars (\$40.00)” after the word “reduced” and before the word “for” in subsection (2) and replacing them with the words, brackets, number, and dollar sign “by five dollars (\$5)”.

9. This amending By-law shall come into effect May 29, 2023.

Done and passed in Council this      day of      , 2023.

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MAYOR

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MUNICIPAL CLERK

I, Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above-noted By-law was passed at a meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on  
    , 2023.

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Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk



| <b>Table: Out of Court Settlement Amounts for Category Offences</b> |                             |                                |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Category</b>   | <b>Offence</b>              | <b>Out of Court Settlement</b> |
| A   | first offence               | \$151.25                       |
|   | second offence              | \$180.00                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$237.50                       |
| A<br>(parking) <sup>1</sup>   | first offence               | \$ 61.60                       |
|   | second offence              | \$ 86.60                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$136.60                       |
| B   | first offence               | \$180.00                       |
|   | second offence              | \$237.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$352.50                       |
| B<br>(parking) <sup>1</sup>   | first offence               | \$ 86.60                       |
|   | second offence              | \$136.60                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$236.60                       |
| C   | first offence               | \$237.50                       |
|   | second offence              | \$352.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$582.50                       |
| C<br>(parking) <sup>1</sup>   | first offence               | \$136.60                       |
|   | second offence              | \$236.60                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$436.60                       |
| C<br>(double) <sup>2</sup>  | first offence               | \$352.50                       |
|   | second offence              | \$582.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$1042.50                      |
| D   | first offence               | \$295.00                       |
|   | second offence              | \$467.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$812.50                       |
| D<br>(double) <sup>2</sup>  | first offence               | \$467.50                       |
|   | second offence              | \$812.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$1502.50                      |
| E   | first offence               | \$352.50                       |
|   | second offence              | \$582.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$812.50                       |
| F   | first offence               | \$410.00                       |
|   | second offence              | \$697.50                       |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$1272.50                      |
| F<br>(double) <sup>2</sup>  | first offence               | \$697.50                       |
|   | second offence              | \$1272.50                      |
|   | third or subsequent offence | \$2422.50                      |

| <b>Table: Out of Court Settlement Amounts for Category Offences</b>  |                             |                                |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Category</b>  | <b>Offence</b>              | <b>Out of Court Settlement</b> |
| G  | first offence               | \$697.50                       |
|  | second offence              | \$1272.50                      |
|  | third or subsequent offence | \$2422.50                      |
| H  | first offence               | \$1272.50                      |
|  | second offence              | \$2422.50                      |
|  | third or subsequent offence | \$5872.50                      |
| I  | first offence               | \$1272.50                      |
|  | second offence              | \$2422.50                      |
|  | third or subsequent offence | \$4722.50                      |
| J  | first offence               | \$1847.50                      |
|  | second offence              | \$2997.50                      |
|  | third or subsequent offence | \$5872.50                      |
| K  | first offence               | \$2422.50                      |
|  | second offence              | \$5872.50                      |
|  | third offence               | \$11 622.50                    |
| <p><sup>1</sup> The amount to be paid for out of court settlement of a parking offence is reduced by \$36.60 if it is paid during the first 60 days after the ticket is issued.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> "Double" indicates that the penalty prescribed for the offence is set at double the usual penalty for the category letter.</p> |                             |                                |