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Prepared by: Assembly Counsel
For reading: July 25, 2006

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AO NO. 2006-113**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING
ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.30.280, CIVIL PENALTIES FOR
PARKING VIOLATIONS, TO REDUCE EXPIRED PARKING METER FINES.**

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 9.30.280, Civil Penalties for Parking Violations, is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.30.280 Civil penalties for parking violations.

A. A person who violates a provision of this Code pertaining to parking, standing or stopping shall be subject to a civil penalty in an amount to be established by regulation in accordance with Chapter 3.40.

B. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, a person who violates any of the following provisions shall be subject to the applicable civil penalties stated below:

Anchorage Municipal Code Provision	Civil Penalty
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<u>9.34.040B, expired meter</u>	<u>10.00</u>
All other provisions of Anchorage Municipal Code 9.30, 9.32 or 9.34 not otherwise addressed above	20.00

(AO No. 82-186(S); AIM 33-83; AO No. 2003-152S, § 5, 1-1-04; AO No. 2004-151, § 1, 1-1-05; AO No. 2005-118, § 2, 9-27-05)

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this ____ day of
_____, 2006.

Chair

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT REDUCE EXPIRED PARKING METER FINES	DATE PREPARED 7/24/06
		Indicate Documents Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AO <input type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> AIM
2	DEPARTMENT NAME Assembly	DIRECTOR'S NAME Dan Sullivan, Chair
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY Julia Tucker - Assembly Counsel	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER 343-4419
4	COORDINATED WITH AND REVIEWED BY	INITIALS
	Mayor	
	Municipal Clerk	
	Municipal Attorney	
	Employee Relations	
	Municipal Manager	
	Cultural & Recreational Services	
	Fire	
	Health & Human Services	
	Merrill Field Airport	
	Municipal Light & Power	
	Office of Management and Budget	
	Police	
	Port of Anchorage	
	Public Works	
	Solid Waste Services	
	Transit	
	Water & Wastewater Utility	
	Executive Manager	
	Community Planning & Development	
	Finance, Chief Fiscal Officer	
	Heritage Land Bank	
	Management Information Services	
	Property & Facility Management	
	Purchasing	
	Other	
5	Special Instructions/Comments Addendum -	
	Consent Agenda - Introduction	
	<i>referred to Anchorage Community Development Authority</i>	
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED 7/25/06	7 PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED 8/29/06 9/12/06

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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ASSEMBLY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM
NO. AIM 96-2006

Meeting Date: September 12, 2006

From: Assembly Chair Sullivan
Subject: Summary of Economic Effects for AO 2006-113

Attached to this memo is the Summary of Economic Effects for AO 2006-113, regarding an Ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending AMC Section 9.30.280, civil penalties for parking violations, to reduce expired parking meter fines.

Prepared By: Steven B. King, Utility Budget Analyst
Reviewed By: Guadalupe Marroquin
Submitted By: Assembly Chair Sullivan

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government

An Ordinance of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly amending AMC Section 9.30.280, civil penalties for parking violations, to reduce expired parking meter fines.

AO Number: 2006-113

Title:

Sponsor: Assembly Chair Sullivan
 Preparing Agency: Assembly
 Others Impacted: Anchorage Parking

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:		(In Thousands of Dollars)			
	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10
Operating Expenditures					
1000 Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2000 Non-Labor	189	189	189	189	189
3900 Contributions					
4000 Debt Service					
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189
Add: 6000 Charges from Others					
Less: 7000 Charges to Others					
FUNCTION COST:	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189
REVENUES:					
CAPITAL:					
POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp					

PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

Public sector revenues may be reduced by about \$188,549 per year. This estimate is calculated based on a five year average of 19,279 violations equaling fines of \$385,588; less adjustments of \$22,803; plus late fees of \$75,409, and less the amount not collected of \$61,097.

The average fines issued each year: \$438,194.

The average fines received each year - charges, less adjustments, plus late fees minus fines not collected - is equal to \$377,097.

PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

There are no indications of significant public sector economic effects.

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1	SUBJECT OF AGENDA DOCUMENT <i>SEE for 10 2006-113</i>	DATE PREPARED <i>8/10/06</i>
		Indicate Documents Attached <input type="checkbox"/> AO <input type="checkbox"/> AR <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AIM
2	DEPARTMENT NAME Assembly	DIRECTOR'S NAME Daniel A. Sullivan, Chairman
3	THE PERSON THE DOCUMENT WAS ACTUALLY PREPARED BY <i>Steven D. King, Utility Budget Analyst</i>	HIS/HER PHONE NUMBER <i>343-4714</i>
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	Mayor	
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	Municipal Attorney	
	Employee Relations	
	Municipal Manager	
	Anchorage Parks & Recreation	
	Fire	
	Health & Human Services	
	Merrill Field Airport	
	Municipal Light & Power	
	Office of Management and Budget	
	Police	
	Port of Anchorage	
	Office of Economic & Community Development	
	Solid Waste Services	
	Public Transportation	
	Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility	
	Executive Manager	
	Planning Department	
	Chief Fiscal Officer	
	Heritage Land Bank	
	Information Technology Department	
	Project Management & Engineering	
	Purchasing	
	Other	
5	Special Instructions/Comments <i>New Public Hearings</i>	
6	ASSEMBLY HEARING DATE REQUESTED <i>9/12/06</i>	7
		PUBLIC HEARING DATE REQUESTED <i>9/12/06</i>

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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ASSEMBLY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM
NO. AIM 99-2006

Meeting Date: September 12, 2006

From: Assembly Chair Sullivan
Subject: AO NO. 2006-113

As we are all aware, parking in the downtown area has become increasingly difficult due to various construction projects, including the new convention center. There will be additional major construction over the next several years making downtown parking even more difficult.

Parking is essential to the viability of our downtown businesses and the lack of parking is compounded by the punitive nature of the fine imposed for an expired meter. I have heard from numerous local citizens and visitors who are discouraged from shopping downtown due to the \$20 fine for an expired meter. I am not suggesting that there should not be a penalty for a violation, but the punishment needs to be appropriate for the nature of the offense

Additionally, there is sufficient evidence questioning the reliability of our existing meters. Given these factors, I am proposing a reduction in the expired meter fine from \$20 to \$10. I am proposing that this reduction be in effect for three years, at which time the fine would come before the Assembly for additional review. This reduction will put Anchorage more in line with other Alaskan cities and will aid our downtown business community in attracting customers.

The following information reflects the current status of fines issued by various cities within the state of Alaska for expired meters or overtime parking.

- Fairbanks is the only city, besides Anchorage, that utilizes parking meters. They fine violators \$10 for the first three offences within a year; \$25 for the fourth and fifth offences; and \$50 each for the sixth or greater offence.
- Juneau charges \$25 for overtime parking violations.
- Wasilla, Sitka, and Ketchikan each charge \$10 for overtime parking violations.
- Kodiak charges \$7 for overtime parking violations.

A random sampling of fifteen U.S. cities, with populations similar to Anchorage, revealed the following information:

- Four of these cities did not use parking meters.
- The highest fine for an expired meter violation was \$25.
- The lowest fine for an expired meter violation was \$6.
- The average fine for an expired meter violation was \$14.

Another random sampling of ten U.S. Cities, in general, revealed the following information:

- The highest fine for an expired meter violation was \$20.
- The lowest fine for an expired meter violation was \$7.
- The average fine for an expired meter violation was \$13.

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