Introduced:

Mr. Putens

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July 1, 2005

## ORDINANCE NUMBER 1253

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC," OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE FINE FOR VARIOUS VIOLATIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the fine for general parking violations of Chapter 11 should be increased to serve as a greater deterrent and to be comparable to those of surrounding jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, it has further been determined that the fine for general parking violations is not adequate to deter the drivers of oversized vehicles from parking on city streets during restricted hours rather than in a commercial lot. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that Article III, Section 11-36, be amended to read as follows, effective July 1, 2005:

## Chapter 11 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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## ARTICLE III. STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING

## Sec. 11-36. Citation of violators and penalty.

(a) With reference to the violation of regulations enumerated in this chapter, a police officer or parking enforcement officer shall be authorized to issue to the owner or operator of a vehicle or by attaching to the vehicle in question, if unattended, a notice of violation or failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter. The fine for violations of this chapter shall be twenty five dollars (\$25.00) forty dollars (\$40.00), except that the fine for violations of handicapped parking regulations established by subsections (1)o. and (2)o. of section 11-39 shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) and the fine for violation of restrictions on parking in a fire lane or obstructing a fire hydrant shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00), unless otherwise provided. The fine for violations of Sec. 11-42 shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The notice of violation shall notify the owner or operator to pay the fine to the city within fifteen (15) days from the time of the violation or noncompliance appearing on the notice and further notify such owner or operator that if the fine is paid to the city within such time, no action will be taken to prosecute such owner or operator for the violation of or noncompliance with the provisions of this chapter; otherwise a warrant will be issued in due course subjecting him or her to the penalties provided.

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PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of June 20, 2005.

with F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk

Key:

<u>Underscoring</u> indicates language added to existing law.

Overstriking indicates language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.