
M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: August 8, 2008
TO: City Council Members
FROM: Russell Weeks
RE: Proposed Ordinances Modifying Certain Permit Fees and Fees Relating to Vehicle Towing, Impound, Storage and Booting Fees
CC: Cindy Gust-Jenson, David Everitt, Lyn Creswell, Gordon Hoskins, Jennifer Bruno, Karen Halladay

This memorandum pertains to two proposed ordinances that would round fees enacted with the City Council's adoption of the Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The item is scheduled for a briefing on at the City Council's August 12 meeting. The Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments at its August 19 meeting.

OPTIONS

- Adopt the proposed ordinances.
- Do not adopt the proposed ordinances.
- Amend the proposed ordinances.

MOTIONS

It should be noted that motions pertaining to the proposed amendments might change after the August 12 meeting.

PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC HEARING

- I move that the City Council close the public hearing.
- I move that the City Council continue the public hearing until a later date.

PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCES

- I move that the City Council adopt the ordinance modifying certain permit fees in the Salt Lake City Code and the ordinance amending Section 12.96.025 relating to vehicle towing, impound, storage, and booting fees.
- I move that the City Council consider the next item on the agenda.
- I move that the City Council adopt the ordinance modifying certain permit fees in the Salt Lake City Code and the ordinance amending Section 12.96.025 relating to vehicle towing, impound, storage, and booting fees with the following amendments: (Council Members may propose amendments they may deem appropriate.)

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Administration has proposed two amendments that would modify ordinances adopted when the City Council adopted the budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The amendments will have no effect on the budget, according to the Administration.

The Administration describes the amendments as housekeeping measures designed to alleviate having to store, count and account for metal coins used in making transactions based on a variety of fees. According to the Administration, the increase in certain fees by 10 percent in the new fiscal year budget created a variety of exact numbers instead of rounded ones. For example, the 10 percent increase in minimum charges for public way improvement fees for sidewalk and driveway approaches resulted in fees of \$138.43 during the summer and \$204.87 in winter. The first proposed ordinance would round the numbers respectively to \$138 and \$205.

The proposed ordinance amending the ordinance setting fees for vehicle towing, impound, storage, and booting fees is similar. The ordinance adopted when the City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 budget increased fees by 10 percent for all the items. However, the increase for the per-day storage fee and the on-street booting release fee resulted in fees of \$16.50. The proposed ordinance would raise the two fees to \$17.

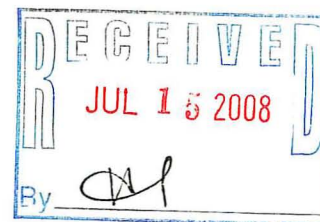
It should be noted that Section 12.96.025 does not regulate prices set by private towing or booting companies on private property.

Current and Proposed Fees

Current and Proposed Impound Lot Fees			
Description	Current	New	% Change
Impound Processing	\$150	\$165	10%
Storage Fee per Day	\$15	\$16.50	10%
Booting Fee	\$40	\$44	10%
On-Street Booting Release Fee	\$15	\$16.50	10%

Summary
10 percent increase, \$2-\$15 amount increase per description (Average \$6 increase)

SALT LAKE CITY CORPORATION



COUNCIL TRANSMITTAL

TO: David Everitt  **DATE:** July 7, 2008
Chief of Staff

FROM: Steve Fawcett 
Interim Director
Management Services Department

SUBJECT: Making housekeeping changes to Ordinance section 12.96.025, *Salt Lake City Code*, relating to Vehicle Towing, Impound, Storage, and Booting fees, and Ordinance No. 42 of 2008 relating to certain permit fees in the *Salt Lake City Code*.

STAFF CONTACT: Gordon Hoskins, Finance Director, 535-6394

DOCUMENT TYPE: *Salt Lake City Code* section 12.96.025, 14.32.405, 14.40.030 and 14.32.400.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt amendments to Ordinance section 12.96.025, changing the effective date to September 1, 2008 and to Ordinance No. 42 of 2008. These amendment will round fee changes made during the budget adoption.

The Council may want to consider holding the ordinance change public hearing in conjunction with the truth in taxation hearing scheduled on August 12, 2008.

BUDGET IMPACT: There will be no budget impact if these changes are adopted.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Ordinance change prepared and sent to City Council in conjunction with the Mayor's Recommended Budget had a number of fees increase by 10%. These changes made many of the fees in odd numbers and cents. It was brought to the Administration's attention after adoption that this will create an added burden on those collecting the fees because they will have to have more change on hand to accommodate the cents collected. Changing the fees to round numbers will alleviate the majority of these issues.

SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE
No. _____ of 2008
(Modifying Certain Permit Fees)

AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING CERTAIN PERMIT FEES IN THE SALT LAKE
CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, the *Salt Lake City Code* sets forth certain fees for various permits issued by
the City; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake City Council adopted Ordinance No. 42 of 2008 increasing all
planning, zoning, building permit and related fees; and

WHEREAS, after further review the City administration has recommended further
modifications of certain of those fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this proposal is in the best interests of the City;

Now, Therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 14.32.405 of the Salt Lake City Code shall be and hereby is
amended to read as follows:

14.32.405 Public Way Improvement Fees:

The city engineer shall charge, and the city treasurer shall collect, upon issuing a permit,
the following fees for review of the application and site inspection of public way improvements:

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| A. | Curb and gutter | \$1.66 <u>1.70</u> per linear foot |
| B. | Sidewalk, driveway approach | \$0.28 <u>0.30</u> per square foot |

Minimum charge:

April 1 - November 15	\$138.43 <u>138.00</u>
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November 16 - March 31	\$204.87 <u>205.00</u>
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C. Permit extension \$~~55.37~~55.00

D. For in kind replacement of existing sidewalk, curb and gutter, or driveway approach, a no charge permit will be issued.

E. Where any of the foregoing subsections specify a higher fee rate for any period, such higher fee shall be applicable if any portion of the work is completed during the higher fee period.

SECTION 2: Section 21A.46.160(4)(c) of the Salt Lake City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

c. Fee: The fee for demolishing a nonconforming billboard shall be ~~one hundred ten dollars and seventy four cents (\$110.74)~~\$111.00.

SECTION 3: Section 14.40.030 of the Salt Lake City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

14.40.030 Permit-Application And Fee:

All applications for permits to erect poles must be in writing addressed to the director of public services, must be signed by the person desiring to erect the poles therein specified, must state the place or places where it is desired to erect poles, and must be accompanied by a fee of ~~one dollar sixty six cents (\$1.66)~~\$1.70 for each pole, permission to erect which is applied for.

Such application must be left with the director of public services and be filed in his/her office.

SECTION 4: Section 14.32.400 of the Salt Lake City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

14.32.400 Excavation Permit Fees:

A. The city engineer shall charge, and the city treasurer shall collect, upon issuing a permit, the following fees for review of the application and site inspection of:

1. Excavation:

a. Hard-surfaced ~~\$0.280.30~~ per square foot

b. Other ~~\$0.190.20~~ per square foot

Minimum Charge:

April 1 - November 15

Hard-surfaced ~~\$138.43~~138.00

Other ~~\$88.59~~90.00

November 16 - March 31

Hard-surfaced ~~\$204.87~~205.00

Other ~~\$132.89~~133.00

2. Multiple Utility Excavation: Minimum fees shall be in accordance with the following schedule, if the distance between excavations does not exceed one block (660 feet) along the same street:

Minimum Charge:

April 1 - November 15

Hard-surfaced ~~\$88.59~~89.00

Other ~~\$49.83~~50.00

November 16 - March 31

Hard-surfaced ~~\$138.43~~138.00

Other ~~\$79.73~~80.00

3. Portions Of The Public Way To Which Excavation Restrictions Apply: Excavation permits for portions of the public way to which excavation restrictions apply, when permitted pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall be issued only upon written authorization of the city engineer and the permit fees shall be two (2) times the normal rates published in this section. The city engineer may also require persons working in such portions of the public way to employ extraordinary measures in restoring said street such as applying seal coat or other surface treatment to maintain the overall integrity of the surface. The value of such extraordinary measures may, in the discretion of the city engineer, be used to offset the additional fees.

4. Poles And Anchors: Poles and anchors, ~~forty two dollars and eight cents (\$42.08)~~\$42.00 each pole or concrete pedestal or anchor.

B. Where any of the foregoing subsections specify a higher fee rate for any period, such higher fee shall be applicable if any portion of the work is completed during the higher fee period.

C. Permit extension: ~~fifty five dollars and thirty seven cents (\$55.37)~~\$55.00. The city engineer may deny this extension when work is not proceeding on the project in a satisfactory manner.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE This ordinance shall become effective upon the date of its first publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah this _____ day of _____, 2008.

CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

CHIEF DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

Transmitted to Mayor on _____.

Mayor's Action: _____ Approved. _____ Vetoed.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHIEF DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

(SEAL)

Bill No. _____ of 2008.

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(SEAL)

Bill No. _____ of 2008.

Published: _____.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Salt Lake City Attorney's Office
Date 7-14-08
By [Signature]

SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE
No. _____ of 2008
(Amending Vehicle Towing, Impound, Storage, and Booting Fees)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12.96.025, *SALT LAKE CITY CODE*, RELATING TO VEHICLE TOWING, IMPOUND, STORAGE, AND BOOTING FEES.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah:

SECTION 1. That Section 12.96.025, *Salt Lake City Code*, pertaining to vehicle towing, impound, storage, and booting fees, be, and the same hereby is, amended to read as follows:

12.96.025 Towing, Impound, Storage, And Booting Fees:

There are imposed for the towing, impound, storage, and booting of vehicles under this chapter the following fees:

- A. Towing: The city's actual costs incurred.
- B. Impound processing: One hundred sixty five dollars (\$165.00).
- C. Storage per day: Seventeen dollars (\$17.00).
- D. Booting fee: Forty four dollars (\$44.00).
- E. On street booting release fee: Seventeen dollars (\$17.00).

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect September 1, 2008.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah this _____ day of _____, 2008.

CHAIRPERSON

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