CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE CITY COUNCIL

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Richard J. Berry, Mayor

FROM:

Jon K. Zaman, Director of Council Services Jon 4/28/17

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Legislation

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. O-16-28 Revising Portions Of The Traffic Code Section 8-5-1-5 Relating To Meter Parking And Expired Meter Parking; And Revising Section 8-1-3-99(B) Relating To Penalties For Parking Violations (Winter. by request), which was passed at the Council meeting of April 17, 2017, by a vote of 9 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.

In accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, your action is respectfully requested.

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CITY of ALBUQUERQUE TWENTY SECOND COUNCIL

ENACTMENT NO. 0 · 2017 · 010 COUNCIL BILL NO. O-16-28 SPONSORED BY: **Brad Winter, by request** 1 **ORDINANCE** 2 REVISING PORTIONS OF THE TRAFFIC CODE SECTION 8-5-1-5 RELATING TO 3 METER PARKING AND EXPIRED METER PARKING; AND REVISING SECTION 4 8-1-3-99(B) RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS. 5 WHEREAS, the traffic code was revised by ordinance 0-2016-011 to, among 6 other changes, apply requirements evenly to all vehicles; and 7 WHEREAS, notwithstanding the overarching intent to treat all vehicles the 8 same, the prior amendments inadvertently failed to eliminate certain parking 9 exemptions for motorcycle, motorscooter or moped parking payment; and 10 WHEREAS, in order to have consistency in the ordinance; and 11 WHEREAS, the most recent amendment to §8-1-3-99(B)(4) of the traffic Bracketed/Underscored Material] - New 12 code enlarged the amount of time for a citizen to pay fines for parking 13 violations: and [Bracketed/Strikethrough Material] 14 WHEREAS, §8-1-3-99(B)(4) allows a citizen 10 days to pay a fine from the 15 date of the occurrence of the violation before incurring doubling of the fine; 16 and 17 WHEREAS, in order to be consistent in the ordinance, a citizen should have 18 the same amount of time to initiate court proceedings to answer the charges. 19 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF 20 **ALBUQUERQUE:** 21 SECTION 1. SECTION 8-5-1-5(A) METER PARKING, EXPIRED METER IS 22 **HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:** 23 "(A) Except in a period of emergency determined by an officer of the Fire 24 Department or Police Department, or except in compliance with a uniformed 25 police officer engaged in directing traffic, any vehicle parked or standing in a

space regulated by a parking meter between the hours and on the days

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specified on the meter shall be lawfully parked or standing only when the owner, operator or driver of such vehicle, upon parking or standing a vehicle in the metered parking space, shall immediately deposit payment as specified on the meter regulating such parking space. Failure to deposit the proper payment as required shall constitute a violation of this section. When the "VIOLATION" indicator is showing, it shall be presumptive evidence that any vehicle found parked or standing in a regulated metered space is parked or standing in violation of this section. The provisions of this section shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles.

- (B) In areas where on-street parking is regulated by parking meters, at least three on-street parking spaces shall be designated as free motorcycle, moped, or motorscooter parking for every three contiguous blocks of metered on-street parking. This provision does not apply if it would require the removal of any regular on-street metered parking space. This provision should not be interpreted as exempting motorcycles, mopeds, or motoscooters from payment when a meter is present.
- (C) A green vehicle that is registered in the State of New Mexico to a New Mexico resident or business is exempt from paying to park in an on street space regulated by a parking meter. A green vehicle parked in an on street space regulated by a meter shall have city issued identification posted on the left rear bumper or the left rear window that authorizes the exemption set forth in this paragraph. A green vehicle shall not be parked in an on street space regulated by a meter for more than two hours. After the free two-hour timeframe has expired, the vehicle cannot park within a one block radius of that parking space free of charge for 24 hours.
- (D) Within 90 days of the adoption of these divisions (C) - (D), the Mayor shall develop the following:
 - a form of identification to post on the vehicles; (1)
 - the procedures to issue such identification; (2)
- a training program for police officers and other City employees (3) authorized to issue parking citations; and

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- 1 (4) a reasonable and nominal fee the City can impose for the 2 issuance of a Green Vehicle permit.
- 3 (E) To qualify for an exemption for a green vehicle, the owner must
- 4 present the vehicle to the City's Parking Division for verification of green
- 5 vehicle eligibility.
- 6 (F) This program shall be evaluated by the Department of Municipal
- 7 Development every two years. This evaluation will be brought before the City
- 8 Council with recommendations of alteration to the Green Vehicle Program, as
- 9 necessary."
- 10 SECTION 2. SECTION 8-1-3-99 (B)(4) PENALTY IS HEREBY AMENDED
- 11 AS FOLLOWS:
- 12 "(4) Fines for any parking violation, including §7-5-3 and Sale of Motor
- 13 Vehicles, if not paid within 10 days of the occurrence of the violation, shall be
- 14 two times the amount of the fine, and if not paid within 20 days of the
- occurrence of the violation, shall be three times the amount of the fine, unless
- 16 the person cited has initiated court proceedings to answer the charges within
- 17 10 days of the issuance of the citation."
- 18 SECTION 3. Section 8-1-1-2 ROA 1994, DEFINITIONS, is amended to add
- 19 definitions for GREEN VEHICLE and GREEN VEHICLE GUIDE in proper
- 20 alphabetical order, to read:
- 21 GREEN VEHICLE. A Vehicle that is rated by the U.S. Environmental
- 22 Protection Agency, Green Vehicle Guide with minimum Environmental
 - Performance Scores for Greenhouse Gas and Air Pollution of 9 and a total
- 24 combined score of 17 or higher.
- 25 GREEN VEHICLE GUIDE. A consumer guide developed by the U.S.
- 26 Environmental Protection Agency to provide information about the
 - environmental performance of vehicles.
- 28 SECTION 4. COMPILATION. The amendments set forth in Sections 1
- . 29 through 3 above shall amend, be incorporated in and made part of the Revised
- 30 Ordinances of Albuquerque, New Mexico, 1994.
- 31 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,
- 32 clause, word or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or
- 33 unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not

	1	affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council
	2	hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section,
	3	paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phrase thereof irrespective of any
	4	provisions being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.
	5	SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five days
	6	after publication by title and general summary.
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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE

Office of the Mayor

One Civic Plaza NW, Albuquerque, NM 87103 Richard J. Berry, Mayor

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

September 8, 2016

TO:

Dan Lewis, President, City Council

FROM:

Richard J. Berry, Mayor

SUBJECT:

Ordinance Revisions of the Traffic Code Section 8-5-1-5 Relating to Meter

Parking and Expired Meter Parking and Expired Meter Parking, and Revisions to Section 8-1-3-99 (B)(4) Related to the Time Frame to Initiate Court Proceedings

The Ordinance revision to section 8-5-1-5 will apply payment requirements evenly to all vehicles by eliminating exemptions for motorcycle, motorscooter or moped parking within the Ordinance of the Traffic Code Section 8-5-1-5. This will allow the ability to collect payment on all vehicles. The revision to Section 8-1-3-99 (B)(4) provides for consistency in the amount of time to pay a fine from the date of occurrence and the amount of time to initiate court proceedings. Both changes provide consistency in the ordinance. At this time the financial impact cannot be measured.

This Ordinance is forwarded to the City Council for its approval.

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Approved:

Approved as to Legal Form:

Robert J. Perry

Chief Administrative Officer

Jessica M. Hernandez

City Attorney

Recommended:

Melissa Lozoya, P.E.

Acting Director, DMD

Cover Analysis

1. What is it?

Revision of portions of the Traffic Code Section 8-5-1-5, relating to meter parking and expired meter parking and revision of Section 8-4-3-99 (B)(4) relating to the time to initiate court proceedings.

2. What will this piece of legislation do?

Apply payment requirements evenly to all vehicles by eliminating exemptions for motorcycle, motorscooter or moped parking within the Ordinance of the Traffic Code Section 8-5-1-5, relating to meter parking and expired meter parking. Revision of Section 8-1-3-99(B)(4) will change the amount of time to initiate court proceedings to answer the charges from five (5) days to ten (10) days. This is the same amount of time a citizen has to pay the fine.

3. Why is this project needed?

This amendment is needed to have consistency in the ordinance.

4. How much will it cost and what is the funding source?

Not applicable.

5. Is there a revenue source associated with this Plan? If so, what level of income is projected?

By amending the ordinance the City will be able to collect revenue on all vehicles including any motorcycle, motorscooter or moped that is parked in an expired metered parking space. At this time the financial impact cannot be measured.

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