

ORDINANCE 93-001
ESTABLISHMENT OF A PARKING ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF VINCENT, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. An ordinance establishing municipal parking offenses, which shall be administratively adjudicated by the municipality, for the purpose of preserving order and public safety, within the city limits of Vincent, Alabama.

SECTION 2. That any previous ordinance or parts of ordinances which conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. Any previous parking ordinance is repealed upon the provisions of this ordinance becoming effective.

SECTION 3. In lieu thereof there is hereby adopted, that any area within the city limits that is a designated no parking zone either by sign or yellow/blue areas thus marked shall constitute a no parking zone.

SECTION 4. In lieu thereof, there is hereby adopted the following Section to wit:

A. ENFORCEMENT; THE ISSUING OF TICKETS. It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police and his assistants, or any other person so named by the Town Council to inspect the parking places and report the violation of this article in the following manner:

1. The police officers shall keep an account of and report the number of each parking offense as noted in this ordinance which indicates that a parking violation has occurred, in the same manner that they report traffic tickets, which will include the following information: the date and time of such violation, the make and state license number of such vehicle, the name and address of the owner or operator, and any other facts, a knowledge of which is necessary to a thorough understanding of the circumstances attending such violation.

2. The officer shall attach a notice to such vehicle stating that it has been parked in violation of this ordinance and instructing the owner or operator to report and to remit the fine within fourteen days to the Records Court in the Town of Vincent in regard of such violation.

3. The notice will be placed on the windshield of the vehicle or other part of said vehicle giving notice of the parking violation which will include the following information:

A. The court date, which will not be sooner than fourteen days by which the fine must be paid or a warrant will be issued for the arrest of the owner of the car in violation of the ordinance;

B. The charge with the violation marked below:

1. Parking in a handicapped zone	\$10.00
Second Offense	15.00
Third Offense	20.00
2. Parking on a sidewalk	\$10.00
Second Offense	15.00
Third Offense	20.00
3. Double Parking	\$10.00
Second Offense	15.00
Third Offense	20.00
4. Parking in a restricted zone	\$15.00
Second Offense	20.00
Third Offense	25.00

5. Parking at a fire plug	\$20.00
Second Offense	25.00
Third Offense	30.00

SECTION 5. THE FINE will be remitted at Vincent City Hall to the Municipal Court Clerk/Magistrate, or an assistant designated by the clerk, who will administratively adjudicate all municipal parking offenses. The fine must be remitted within fourteen days of the citation, in cash or by money order. A defendant may appeal such decision to the appropriate circuit court for a trial de novo in accordance with the provisions of Alabama Code 1975, Sections 12-11-30 and 12-40-70. If you fail to pay the fine within the fourteen days, a warrant will be issued for your arrest on the court date immediately following the fourteen day limit. The issuing of a warrant will increase the cost by \$10.00 plus court cost.

SECTION 6. Any person violating this section shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$30.00 plus warrant charge should such be necessary and could at the discretion of the court trying the case, be punished by imprisonment for the city for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

SECTION 7. This ordinance is enacted in good faith for the public interest, and shall become effective immediately with the ordinance passage, approval and publication as provided by law. The City Clerk is hereby directed to have this ordinance published by posting said ordinance in three public places within the city limits of the Town of Vincent, such places being at Town Hall, the Utilities Office and the Post Office for a period of five days as required by state law.

Adopted this February 23, 1993.

Eddie Elliott
Mayor

Mary Lee Reynolds
Town Clerk

James E. Jackson
Councilman, District 1

Robert E. Kidd
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Patricia M. Royer
Councilwoman, District 3

Wivian H. Denty
Councilwoman, District 4

Absent
Councilman, District 5