

ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - 101

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 351.99 TITLED "PENALTY" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KENT IN ORDER TO CHARGE A PENALTY TO ANYONE WHO VIOLATES SECTION 351.041 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, many City neighborhood streets are older and narrow and were constructed many generations ago when households had only one or two vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, today many households have more vehicles than before and there exists a need in some areas to allow residents to share the right of way for the parking of vehicles that may not fit onto the residents' property; and,

WHEREAS, in order for the right of way to be used fairly, Council desires to limit the number of vehicles registered to each address that can be parked within the City's right of way; and

WHEREAS, in the event section 351.041 of the Codified Ordinances is violated three (3) or more times in a three (3) month period, a penalty of \$100.00 will be issued.

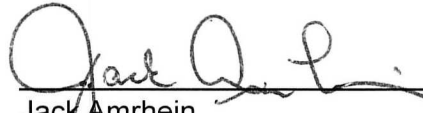
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Council does hereby amend Section 351.99 titled "Penalty" of the Codified Ordinances as written in the language per Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part thereof.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: 11/19/25
Date


Jack Amrhein
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: 11/19/25
Date

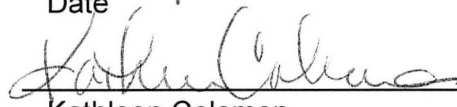
ATTEST: 
Kathleen Coleman
Clerk of Council

EXHIBIT A

351.99 PENALTY.

(a) Waiver; Fine. Whoever violates any provision of Chapter 351, except Sections 351.04(d) or 351.04(r), or 351.04(s), 351.16(c), or 351.05(e) or (f) may within ten days after receipt of such notice report to the Police Department and pay a penalty of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) in full satisfaction of such violation; after ten days, such person may report and pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) in full satisfaction; after thirty days such person must report and pay a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) in full satisfaction of such violation; after forty-five days such person must report and pay a penalty of sixty-five dollars (\$65.00). Any subsequent ticket with the first ticket remaining unpaid shall automatically become twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) even though the subsequent ticket may have been issued within the ten-day period. After thirty days such person shall report and pay a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) in full satisfaction of such violation. After forty-five days such person must report and pay a penalty of sixty-five dollars (\$65.00). Such payment as provided in this subsection shall be deemed a plea of guilty, waiver of court appearance and acknowledgment of conviction of the alleged offense. Failure of a person to make payment provided for in this subsection and within the time and manner aforesaid shall render such person liable to the penalty provided in Section 303.99(a).

In the event that a person has violated Section 351.041 three or more times in the past 3 months of a current violation, the penalty shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for such violation.

(b) Parking in Fire Lanes, near Hydrants, on Sidewalks, or with Expired Vehicle Registration; Maintaining Fire Lanes. Whoever violates Sections 351.16(c)(1), 351.04(d), 351.04(r) or 351.04(s) may within ten days after receipt of such notice report to the Police Department and pay a penalty of forty dollars (\$40.00) in full satisfaction of such violation; after ten days, such person may report and pay a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) in full satisfaction; after thirty days such person must report and pay a penalty of eighty dollars (\$80.00) in full satisfaction of such violation; after forty-five days such person must report and pay a penalty of ninety-five dollars (\$95.00). Whoever violates Section 351.16(c)(2) is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree, on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense such person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(c) Handicapped Parking Zones. Whoever violates Section 351.05(e) and (f) must within ten days after receipt of a traffic citation report to the Police Department and pay a penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) in full satisfaction of such violation; Such payment shall be deemed a plea of guilty, waiver of court appearance and acknowledgment of conviction of the alleged offense. The failure of such person to make such payment within the time aforesaid shall render the person liable to imposition of penalties provided in Section 303.99(a).