

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM: John Wilkins, Parking Director

DATE: August 19, 2016

SUBJECT: Enable City Code of Ordinance 70-121 for Bus Parking Fines

Action Statement:

Approve section 70-497 of the City of Key West Code of Ordinances by creating parking enforcement fines in ordinance 70-497 for charter bus ordinance violations sufficient to deter repeat offences.

Background:

In an effort to provide a more organized positive experience for tour bus companies and guests as well as reduce traffic congestion and promote the welfare of the residences of Key West, the City Commission enacted Section 70-497 of the city's code of ordinance. This ordinance creates an approved route and designates a drop-off and parking area in the historic district of Key West.

In order improve enforcement of this ordinance, the Parking Division is requesting the City Commission enact 70-121(a)(5); providing a sufficient penalty for violation that will deter repeat offences. Currently the citation for this type of infraction is \$35.00. This amount is less than the daily parking fee at the bus parking lot. Ordinance 70-121(a)(5) will provide a \$250.00 fine for first offence and \$500.00 for any subsequent violation that occurs within 6 months of a prior violation.

Recommendation:

Request City Commission to enact section 70-121(a)(5) of the City's Code of Ordinances to support enforcement of section 70-497 (buses) with fines sufficient to deter repeat offences.