

**ORDINANCE 101-042018**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FINES FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES ON PLEAS OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDRE PRIOR TO TRIAL AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 101-112013 PASSED AND APPROVED NOVEMBER 6, 2013**

**WHEREAS**, there shall be a schedule of fines for certain offenses on pleas of guilty or nolo contendere prior to trial; and

**WHEREAS**, the Defendant may elect to pay to the Court such fines, shown on the schedule and accordingly enter his plea of guilty or nolo contendere and waive his right to a jury trial; and

**WHEREAS**, no fine shall be accepted which is not in accord with the schedule, unless set by the Judge.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN RIDGE, TEXAS.**

**SECTION 1. FINDINGS.** The findings set out herein are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes.

**SECTION 2. REPEALING PRIOR ORDINANCES.** The City of Garden Ridge, Texas, Ordinance 101-112013 dated, November 6, 2013, and all amendments thereto, are hereby superseded.

**SECTION 3. SCHEDULE OF FINES.** The schedule of fines set forth below is hereby officially adopted:

<b><u>OFFENSE</u></b>	<b><u>FINE</u></b>
All Improper Turns	\$75.00
Assault by Contact	500.00
Blocking Roadway	75.00
Consume Alcohol while Driving	250.00
Consume Alcohol Beverage On – Off Premise Licensed Location	200.00
Criminal Mischief under \$100.00	500.00
Crossing Double Yellow Lines	75.00
Defective Exhaust and /or Excessive Noise	55.00
Defective or No Brake Lights	75.00
Defective or No Tail Lights	75.00
Defective or No Tail Lights (Trailer)	75.00
Disorderly Conduct No #12 – Indecent Exposure	500.00
Disorderly Conduct No #5 – Noise – Alarm System	150.00
Disorderly Conduct – Fighting	500.00
Disregard Traffic Control Device	100.00
Disregard Traffic Control Device – RR Crossing	200.00
Disregard Warning Sign	200.00
Drive Through Private Property to Avoid Stop Sign	75.00
Driving Across Private Property	75.00
Driving Wrong Side of Road	75.00
DWLI	500.00
Expired Driver License	75.00

<b><u>OFFENSE</u></b>	<b><u>FINE</u></b>
Expired License Plates	75.00
Expired License Plates (Trailer)	75.00
Fail to Drive in Single Marked Lane	75.00
Fail to Signal Left/Right Turn	75.00
Fail to Yield R.O.W. to Emergency Vehicle	200.00
Failure to Appear	100.00
Failure to Appear for Jury Duty	50.00
Failure to Change Address on DL	50.00
Failure to Control Speed	100.00
Failure to Dim Headlights	75.00
Failure to Display Driver License	75.00
Failure to Display Front License Plates	75.00
Failure to Identify	200.00
Failure to Maintain Control	100.00
Failure to Obtain Texas DL	100.00
Failure to Promise to Appear	100.00
Failure to Stop and Leave Info. 6701D (Sec 42)	200.00
Failure to Stop for Loading/Unloading School Bus	750.00
Failure to Transfer Ownership of Vehicle	50.00
Failure to Yield	100.00
Failure to Yield R.O.W.	100.00
Farm Tag	25.00
Fictitious Inspection Sticker	100.00
Fictitious License Plates (Registration)	100.00
Following Too Close	75.00
Illegal Passing	75.00
Illegal Passing to the Right	75.00
Illegally Parked	75.00
Impeding Traffic (Driving too Slowly)	100.00
Improper Lane Usage	75.00
Improper Vehicle Registration	100.00
Littering	100.00
Minor Attempting to Purchase Alcohol	200.00
Minor Consuming Alcohol	500.00
Minor – DUI	250.00
Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverages	200.00
Moving Barricade/Entering Barricaded Area	200.00
No Driver License	100.00
No Helmet	75.00
No Liability Insurance	175.00
No Liability Insurance – Arrest Fee	175.00
No Liability Insurance – Second Offense CC2	350.00
No License – Animal	50.00
No License Plate Lamp	55.00
No Motorcycle License	75.00
No or Defective Headlights	75.00
No Registration – Trailer	75.00
No Safety Chains – Trailer	55.00
No Seat Belt – Driver	50.00

<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>FINE</u>
No Seat Belt – Passenger	50.00
No Texas Vehicle Registration – CC2	50.00
No Through Truck Only FM2252/FM 3009 (Ordinance 22)	200.00
No Vehicle Registration	75.00
Obstructing Railway Crossing	100.00
Obstruction to Drivers View	50.00
Open Bed	250.00
Open Container	200.00
Overload Truck on Low Limit Road	100.00
Parked Within 15 Feet of Fire Hydrant	100.00
Passing Within 100 Feet of an Intersection	50.00
Permit Another to Use Driver License	55.00
Permit Unauthorized Driver to Drive	200.00
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	500.00
Public Intoxication	500.00
Ran Red Light	100.00
Speeding (\$5.00 per mi over limit)	\$5/mile over
Speeding in School Zone (\$7.00 per mi. over limit)	\$7/mile over
Stop Sign	100.00
Theft Under \$100.00	500.00
Unapproved Window Tint	100.00
Unlawful Use of Wireless Device on School Property	200.00
Unnecessary Noise	75.00
Unsafe Speed	100.00
Unsafe Start	100.00
Use of Wireless Device in School Zone	200.00
Violate Child Safety Law	55.00
Violation of Driver License Code A	100.00
Violation of Driver License Code B	100.00
Violation of Driver License Code C	100.00
Violation of Restricted Code on DL	100.00
Defensive Driving Certificate – Administrative Fee	10.00
Time Payment Plan	25.00
City Ordinance Violations	Court

**Note: State Court Cost not included in the above schedule of fines.**

**SECTION 4. JUDGE’S DISCRETION AND TRIAL.** No fine shall be accepted which is not in accord with the schedule, unless set by the Judge, at the Judge’s discretion. If the Defendant’s case is heard by a Judge, and the Defendant is found guilty, the fines listed above are not binding on the Court and the Judge may assess a fine within the minimum and maximum limits as provided by law.

**SECTION 5. WARRANT FEE.** In addition to any fine that may imposed by the Court, pursuant to the provisions of the Article 102.011 of the Code of Criminal Procedures, a Warrant Fee of \$50.00 will be assessed for services performed in the case by a peace officer for executing or processing an issued arrest warrant, *capias* or *capias pro fine*.


**SECTION 6. CUMULATIVE AND SAVINGS.** This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, except where the provisions of the ordinance are in

direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed. Any and all previous versions of this Ordinance to the extent that they are in conflict herewith are repealed.

**SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of the Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance, but they shall remain in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall remain in effect notwithstanding the validity of any part.

**SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance amendment shall take effect immediately upon its passage, approval and publication of said ordinance.


PASSED AND APPROVED on this 4th day of April, 2018.



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Larry Thompson  
Mayor

ATTEST:



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Shelley Goodwin  
City Secretary

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