MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE OREGON (Court)

) GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER,

(City)) # 2 FOR 2021:

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) A. REAFFIRMING VIOLATIONS BUREAU; WHEN EFFECTIVE

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) B. DESIGNATING ITS MEMBERS

C. DEFINING ITS SCOPE AND AUTHORITY;

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D. PROGRAMS: DIVERSIONS, FIX-ST CITATIONS, AND FEES

A. REAFFIRMATION/WHEN EFFECTIVE: The City's Violations Bureau (Bureau), is reaffirmed as authorized under ORS 153.800 as amended by Oregon House Bill 2712, (Oregon Laws Chapter 597). This order applies to all citations for offenses within the scope of this Order, which occur on and after July 1, 2021. This order when in effect replaces and supersedes prior City Court Administrative Orders dealing with the Bureau. The superseded and replaced Administrative Order(s) shall apply to all offenses subject to Violation Bureau processing prior to July 1, 2021.

B. MEMBER DESIGNATION: Bureau membership shall include City of Wilsonville (City) employees who have a job description/title constituting that of a City Court Clerk.

C. SCOPE:

- 1. Each Bureau Member is under the direct supervisory authority of any City Judge. The provisions of this Order do not in any way limit or discourage a Bureau member from contacting a Judge with respect to any given situation concerning any Bureau matter. A Bureau member in good faith discretion can refer any matter to a Judge. This order does not limit or restrict the authority of any Court clerk in the performance of clerk duties which are not Bureau duties.
- 2. A Bureau member may enter into standard Court deferred fine payment agreements on the condition that full payment of all fines addressed in any given agreement is required not later than 6 calendar months after the date of the deferred payment agreement. In entering into any deferred payment agreement a Bureau member shall impose the applicable processing fee. If defendant wishes to extend payment plan beyond six months, the bureau shall use discretion in allowing extension. Such extension will not exceed 60 days without approval from the Judge.
- 3. The Bureau shall not process any traffic infraction which includes one or more of the following:
 - a. A Class A Speed Racing Citation, a class A DWS and/or DWR violation where: 1) there is no driving record available dated later than 30 days prior to issuance of the Citation, and/or 2) the Defendant is not eligible for reinstatement, and/or 3) the defendant is being charged with DWS/DWR and the suspension was associated with one or more of the following:

- (A). a DUII conviction
- (B). a Refusal to Take a Breathalyzer Test
- (C). an uninsured accident
- (D). failure to file proof of financial responsibility
- (E). a speeding conviction
- (F). reckless endangerment of highway workers
- b. Any violation for which the Court may or is required to suspend or revoke a license as part of the disposition on a conviction for such citation.
- c. A defendant who appears to be eligible for youth offender diversion;
- d. A non-traffic violation;
- e. Skate Board Violations
- f. More than 6 prior convictions within the last 5 years; a Class A infraction or a traffic crime within 18 months prior to the issuance of the pending citation counts as 3 prior convictions.
- g. Bureau members shall not process any offense when the presumptive fine stated in the citation for the infraction is greater than the amount stated in Column 2 of the following chart.
- Payment of presumptive fine will be treated as a no contest plea unless accompanied by a not guilty plea or request for hearing.
- 5. A citation is not eligible for Bureau reduction processing, on which a no contest plea is entered, and for which there is a request for a reduction in fine and/or

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other disposition which differs from the dispositions specified in the following chart.

5. Subject to the above:

- a. For non-Special Zone Violations: On the condition that the presumptive fine stated in the citation for the following classified scheduled violations is equal to that stated in column 2 of the following chart; Bureau members may offer fine reductions in accordance with the following chart for classified violations based on the defendant's driving record as weighted in 3 f above. If the presumptive fine stated in the citation is less than the presumptive fine amount specified in column 2 of the following chart the fine shall be that specified in the following chart, applying the reduction if applicable to the scheduled presumptive fine; or the amount stated in the citation, whichever is less.
- b. For Special Zone Violations: Bureau members shall impose fines in accordance with the following chart, or with the presumptive fine amount stated on the citation if less than the amount scheduled in the chart. For Special Zone Status Violations (as opposed to Special Zone Moving Violations), which qualify for reduction bureau members shall assess the non-special zone fine for such offense.

- c. Violations Bureau Members may not reduce the presumptive when there are more than 2 convictions within the last 3 years.
- d. Offenses alleging a violation of a specific City Ordinance are not eligible for fine reduction.
- e. If a defendant is eligible for fine reductions and is cited on a citation alleging more than two violations, a Bureau Clerk may enter a conviction with no fine for one alleged violation. The alleged violation for which no fine is imposed may not be a Class A, or Class B, or special violation. The following chart shall be used by the violation bureau in assessing fines and shall be displayed for the benefit of those cited as required by law.

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Class		In prior 3	In prior 3
Violation	Fine	years up to 2	years no
		convictions	convictions
		Eligible for	Eligible for
		10% Reduction	20% Reduction
Class A Presumptive Fine	\$440	\$396	\$352
Class A Special Zone Fine	\$880	\$792	\$704
Class B Presumptive Fine	\$265	\$239	\$212
Class B Special Zone Fine	\$530	\$477	\$424
Class C Presumptive Fine	\$165	\$149	\$132
Class C Special Zone Fine	\$330	\$297	\$264
Class D Presumptive Fine	\$115	\$104	\$92
Class D Special Zone Fine	\$230	\$207	\$184

D. PROGRAMS: Unless otherwise stated what follows under this section applies to all citations whether or not Bureau qualified for reduction.

- 1. Fix-it Ticket Equipment. Members are authorized to dismiss the following violations and assess the applicable administrative fee (unless otherwise directed) if the defendant has demonstrated that the violation has been remedied and with the citing officers consent.
 - a. Altered license plates: if the violation is based on material or covering placed on, over, or in front of the plate that alters the appearance of the plate; or a frame or plate holder.
 - b. Expired Vehicle Registration Stickers;
 - c. Failure to Display License Plates;
 - d. Lighting Equipment Violations;
 - e. Improper Fenders and/or Mudguards (no administrative
 fee imposed for mudguards);
 - f. Tinted Windows
 - g. Failure to Carry Registration: if valid registration forms are furnished to the Bureau Member
- 2. Other Fix-Its: A defendant may demonstrate that these violations have been remedied through furnishing materials to the Member as described below.

- a. Driving without Insurance, and/or Failure to Furnish Proof Of Insurance: if there was no accident involved in the alleged violation and the defendant produces proof sufficient to the Bureau Member(s) on the letterhead of the insurer or the defendant's insurance agent that insurance was in force on the vehicle operated by the defendant when the pending citation was issued. (No administrative fee).
- b. Expired driver's license: if the citation occurs within 90 days of the license expiration date and the renewed license is furnished to the Bureau Member (administrative fee).
- c. Failure to Change Name/Address on Driver's License: if the updated license is furnished to the Bureau Member (administrative fee).
- d. Failure to Properly Display Valid Handicap Permit: if proof sufficient to the Bureau Member that the person held a valid permit at the time of citation is produced. The court may only suspend up to all but \$20 of the fine. (No administrative fee).
- 3. Seatbelt Diversion A Bureau Member may allow diversion on a citation alleging a seatbelt violation if no prior convictions for seatbelt violations appear on the defendants driving record and the defendant pleads guilty, and consents to the imposition of conviction and the presumptive fine to be paid on the citation if there is a failure to complete Diversion. Offered diversion shall be in lieu of further prosecution on the safety belt violation. Defendant shall pay the applicable administrative fee, plus associated class cost. Upon

completion of the seatbelt diversion class, the Member shall dismiss the violation.

- E. Payment deferrals under standard deferred payment agreements, Administrative, and Reinstatement fees. The Violations Bureau Members and non-Members shall impose the following payment schedules:
 - 1. Payment deferrals:
 - a. 30 Days Or Less \$10 Fee
 - b. 31 through 60 Days \$20 Fee
 - c. 61 days or more \$50 Fee
 For six-month payment plans, there shall be a monthly payment required. First payment must be within 30 days of court appearance and subsequent payments due each month thereafter.
 Monthly payments shall be 1/6 of the balance due OR a minimum amount approved by the Judge.
 - 2. License reinstatement: In a single transaction, \$20.00 for the first violation and \$10.00 for each one thereafter
 - 3. Administrative Fees incurred to process programs and other instances when a citation is dismissed:
 - A. \$30.00 for a Class D violation
 - B. \$50.00 for a Class C violation
 - C. \$75.00 for a Class B violation
 - D. \$100 for a Class A violation
 - E. Seatbelt Diversion Administrative fee: \$25.00

DATED: June 17, 2021

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Municipal Court Judge

City of Wilsonville