



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001204

MEETING DATE: 06/23/2026

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): All Districts

SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Sheriff-Coroner

DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Brian Wayt, 714-647-1803
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SUBJECT: Adopt Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026

CEO CONCUR	COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	CLERK OF THE BOARD
Concur	No Legal Objection	PUBLIC HEARINGS 3 Votes Board Majority

Budgeted: No	Current Year Cost: N/A	Annual Cost: N/A
Staffing Impact: No		Sole Source: No
Current Fiscal Year Revenue: N/A	Funding Source: N/A	County Audit in Last 3 years: No
Levine Act Review Completed? N/A		

Prior Board Action: 5/9/2023 #39, 4/23/2019 #46, 12/7/2010 #37, 2/9/2010 #45

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Conduct the public hearing.
2. Adopt a resolution approving the submitted Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026, adjusting the fees, effective July 1, 2026, for unincorporated areas and County-owned facilities which supersedes Resolution 23-061.

SUMMARY:

The Sheriff-Coroner requests adoption of a Resolution approving the Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026, which includes unincorporated areas and County-owned facilities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 1993, parking violations were decriminalized by the State Legislature and deemed to be administrative, with fines set by individual local agencies rather than by the courts. California Vehicle Code Section 40200

authorizes cities/counties to assess and collect fines and penalties for violations of any regulation pertaining to the parking of a vehicle, provided that such violations are not misdemeanors. These penalties benefit the public through promoting efficient traffic flow and improving public safety on roads. In addition, they provide funding to local and state governments for public facilities construction through surcharges added to parking citations.

Pursuant to Vehicle Code section 40203.5, the penalty fees shall be established by governing body of the jurisdiction issuing penalties and “[t]o the extent possible, issuing agencies within the same county shall standardize parking penalties.” The Sheriff researched the penalties assessed by Orange County jurisdictions. Please see Parking Penalty Comparison (Attachment M). Fee increases reflect the average of the data collected, if data was available. The average penalty for a violation of Vehicle Code section 22500, subdivision (i) (parked in a bus zone) is \$261; however, the Sheriff is proposing to keep the rate of \$265, which has been the rate since at least 2010.

The public hearing and proposed adoption of the Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026; adjusting fees, has been noticed pursuant to Government Code Section 6062a and 66018.

Past Board of Supervisors (Board) actions on Orange County Uniform Traffic Bail Schedule and related surcharge fees are noted in the table below:

<u>Board Approved</u>	<u>Subject</u>
2/9/10	Revise Orange County Uniform Traffic Bail Schedule
12/7/10	Adopt Orange County Uniform Traffic Bail Schedule of 2010-A
4/23/19	Adopt Resolution 19-029 to reduce Courthouse Construction Fund Surcharge fee from \$2.50 to \$1.00
5/9/23	Adopt Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2023

Sheriff now requests Board adopt the Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed Orange County Uniform Parking Penalty Schedule of 2026 adjusts the fees to align with other jurisdiction’s fees, where possible and, in those instances, will result in cost recovery similar to other local law enforcement authorities. The overall budget impact will be part of the budgeting process for future fiscal years for Budget Control 060.

STAFFING IMPACT:

N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A - Draft Resolution
- Attachment B - Government Code 76000
- Attachment C - Government Code Section 40200
- Attachment D - Government Code Section 40203.5(a)
- Attachment E - Government Code Section 70372(b)
- Attachment F - Notice of Public Hearing
- Attachment G - Parking Penalty Fee Schedule 2026
- Attachment H - Resolution No. 23-061
- Attachment I - Resolution No. 09-194
- Attachment J - Resolution No. 10-015
- Attachment K - Resolution No. 10-197
- Attachment L - Resolution No. 19-029
- Attachment M - Parking Penalty Comparison
- Attachment N - Parking Penalty - Fee Checklist new
- Attachment O - Parking Violations Ordinance
- Attachment P - Government Code 6062a
- Attachment Q - Government Code 66018