

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 16, 1983

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Enforcement; issuing citations;
payment of fines; OBSTRUCTION OR
INTERFERENCE.

- e) No person shall interfere with or obstruct in any way any police officer or other officer or employee of this City in their enforcement of the provisions of this division. The removal, obliteration or concealment of any chalk mark or other distinguishing mark or object used by any police officer or other employee or officer of this City in connection with the enforcement of the parking regulations of this ordinance shall, if done for the purpose of evading the provisions of this ordinance, constitute such interference or obstruction.

Council was informed that the above language has been borrowed from the League's "Model Parking Ordinance" and is similar to what the City of Stockton has in their municipal code. The Municipal Court would have the basis to establish the fine for this violation.

AMENDMENT TO
PARKING
ENFORCEMENT
ORDINANCE
APPROVED

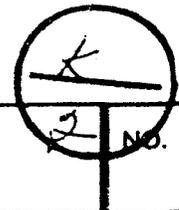
Following discussion, Council, on motion of Council Member Pinkerton, Olson second, introduced Ordinance No. 1285 amending Section 14-84 of the Lodi Municipal Code - Enforcement; issuing citations; payments of fines; OBSTRUCTION OR INTERFERENCE with the addition of the following section:

ORD.NO.1285
INTRODUCED

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The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



TO: THE CITY COUNCIL
FROM: THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

DATE
March 10, 1983

SUBJECT:
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Henry A. Graves, Jr., City Manager
FROM: Robert H. Holm, Finance Director
DATE: October 6, 1982
SUBJECT: Parking Enforcement

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I would appreciate your approval to proceed with this item and would be happy to work with City Attorney Ron Stein in the implementation of the ordinance.



Robert H. Holm
Finance Director