



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10,
CHAPTER 10.56 BY ADDING SECTION 10.56.070
REGARDING FINES AND PENALTIES**

Riverside Police Department

Safety, Wellness, and Youth Committee
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BACKGROUND

- **RMC Chapter 10.56 – Restricted Use of Certain Streets** outlines various restrictions related to operating vehicles in specific areas throughout the City of Riverside. The restrictions are primarily related to weight and axel limits of commercial vehicles.
- Violations are often enforced by Riverside Police Department officers using various subsections of RMC Chapter 10.56 as well as applicable California Vehicle Codes.



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DISCUSSION

- City personnel have received recurring **community complaints regarding commercial trucks** driving through restricted areas of the City of Riverside
- RMC Chapter 10.56 was reviewed for potential areas of improvement.
- **One suggestion was to raise the fine amount** associated with violations of RMC Chapter 10.56.



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DISCUSSION

- Current administrative **fine is \$100 and provides a nominal penalty** however it is viewed as insignificant and does not serve as a meaningful deterrent
- Commercial truck operators view \$100 fine as a “cost of doing business” rather than a deterrent
- To achieve **actual deterrence**, fine amounts should be set at a level that outweigh the benefits associated with violating the RMC



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RMC CHAPTER 10.56 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Proposed Amendment:

- Add Section **10.56.070** to **increase fines** associated with violations of Chapter 10.56 to **\$1000.00**.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Safety, Wellness, and Youth Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the proposed ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Title 10 – Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 10.56 – Restricted Use of Certain Streets: and
2. Recommend that the City Council adopt the proposed ordinance amending Riverside Municipal Code Title 10 – Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 10.56 – Restricted Use of Certain Streets by adding Section 10.56.070 regarding fines and penalties for violations of Chapter 10.56.



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