

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Council Resolution No. 138-2020

Introduced: September 8, 2020

Auditor: Maya Cameron

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact cannot be determined. Representatives of the Police Department (HCPD) said they expect infrequent citation occurrences, and therefore the fiscal impact is expected to be minimal.

The proposed fine is **\$35.00** per incident of a citation issued as a result of parking in a bike lane:

- **\$33.00** for the proposed fine
- **\$2.00** for fee indicated in State Law paid to and retained by the County¹

Purpose:

The purpose of this proposed legislation is to approve and implement a fine for “parking in a bike lane.” The legislation serves as a companion to Council Bill 49-2020, which (if passed) will change the County Code to add parking in a bike lane as a violation.

Other Comments:

The HCPD has indicated that they expect minimal occurrences of issuance of this citation. There are very few locations with bike lanes wide enough to park in, and this issue primarily occurs in connection with local sporting events.

¹ The Maryland Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 7-301(a) Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings specifies the fees for both contested parking citations (\$22.50) and uncontested parking citations (\$2.00).