

ORDINANCE NO. 16,436

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, by amending Section 114-485.12, relating to the city's impound and preservation fee.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, as heretofore amended, by amending Section 114-485.12, relating to the City's impound and preservation fee, as follows:

**Sec. 114-485.12. Right of owner to redeem impounded vehicle.**

- (a) The registered owner or person having a legal entitlement to possession of a motor vehicle impounded pursuant to section 114-485.11 of this article may redeem the vehicle by paying the city's towing contractor an amount sufficient to cover all of the towing contractor's charges attributable to the towing and storage of the vehicle. If a hearing pursuant to the administrative appeal process set forth in chapter 3 of this code is held and the administrative hearing officer determines there was no probable cause to impound the vehicle, the costs attributable to the impoundment and storage not to exceed fifteen days shall be refunded by the city clerk through the normal procurement process.
- (b) If a motor vehicle was impounded pursuant to section 114-485.02 of this article, all delinquent parking citation-complaints must be satisfied.
- (c) If the vehicle is not redeemed until a final determination has been entered pursuant to the administrative appeal process set forth in chapter 3 of this code, the vehicle may be redeemed upon payment of all charges referred to in section 114-485.16 of this article less any portion thereof subject to refund under paragraph (a) above.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED: Megan E. Norberg, Assistant City Attorney

Connie Boesen, Mayor

Attest: I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of an Ordinance (Roll Call No. 25-0232), passed by the City Council of said City at the meeting held on February 10, 2025 and signed by the Mayor on February 10, 2025 and published and provided by law in the Business Record on February 28, 2025. Authorized by Publication Order No. 12921.

Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk