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Post traffic and parking ticket codes

Resolved, that ANC1D advises the Metropolitan Police Department, the Department of Public Works, and the Department of Motor Vehicles to make the list correlating traffic and parking ticket codes with Municipal Regulations readily available on their Web sites.

Why: Traffic and parking citations do not indicate the actual violation, but merely a three-digit code and a severely abbreviated indication of the supposed violation. Simple judicial fairness requires that persons receiving such citations be able to know precisely what the accused violation is. This is especially important where there is question about the violation, and the person accused wishes to defend himself or herself against the accusation. Only with the actual text of the DCMR regulation in hand is such a defense possible.

The only on-line document linking violation codes and DCMR regulations appears to be the DPW Parking Enforcement Training Manual, dated 2013, and providing only the P-codes, not the T-codes.

All three agencies should post this document where it is readily found by any person receiving a traffic or parking citation and wanting to obtain the precise language of the regulation that he or she is charged with having violated.

This is a reiteration of the resolution passed by this Commission in 2011.

Passed by 4 to 0 vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of ANC1D on March 21, 2017, with a quorum present. Voting "yes": Commissioners Stewart, Romero-Latin, Karrer, McKay. A quorum for this commission is three; four commissioners were present.