

# MISSOURI CIRCUIT COURT TWENTY SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MUNICIPAL DIVISION ST. LOUIS CITY COURT October 6, 2017

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER CONCERNING RELEASE ON WRITTEN PROMISE TO APPEAR AND BOND AMOUNT SCHEDULE FOR PERSONS ARRESTED WITHOUT WARRANT FOR ALLEGED MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

Effective immediately, and except as specifically provided below, persons arrested without warrant for alleged St. Louis City municipal ordinance violations shall be released upon their written promise to appear after processing without posting cash bond, unless cash bond is required under the following schedule.

Cash bond shall be required under the following schedule:

- (1) If the arrest is classified as a domestic incident, or
- (2) If the person has one or more active outstanding St. Louis City municipal court arrest warrants, or active outstanding arrest warrants in any other jurisdiction, or
- (3) If, in the reasonable judgment of the Division of Police, release of the person presents a danger of harm to the person arrested, another person, or the property of another person.

If a cash bond is required for any one or more of these three reasons, the cash bond amount for a person arrested without a warrant for an alleged St. Louis City municipal ordinance violation shall be set at FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) per each case for all traffic and non-traffic offenses with the maximum bond amount being a total of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) per person if there are more than four (4) St. Louis municipal ordinance violations alleged against that person, except for the specific offenses set forth below.

The following bond amounts are specifically provided only for the offenses listed below:

DWI/DUI (Alcohol related driving offenses) \$250.00 per each case

Leaving the scene of an accident \$250.00 per each case

Prostitution/Soliciting Prostitution \$250.00 per each case

Failure to wear a seat belt \$10.00 per case

This bond schedule shall be utilized only for persons arrested without a warrant for an alleged St. Louis City municipal ordinance violation when one or more of the three conditions set forth above applies.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, a person who refuses to make a written promise to appear or to post a required bond may be held up to 24 hours after the arrest.

If the person is in custody solely on an arrest without a warrant for a St. Louis City ordinance violation, the person shall be released within twenty-four (24) hours of the arrest regardless of whether the above bond amount has been posted or the person has made a written promise to appear.

For those persons who are also in custody pursuant to an initial arrest warrant issued by a municipal judge, the Administrative Order dated August 27, 2015, a copy of which is incorporated in and made a part of this Order, shall be strictly applied.

This Order is made pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court Rule 37.17. This Order shall be effective immediately upon its entry and until further order of the Court. This Order replaces the bond schedule Order dated September 28, 2017 in its entirety.

SO ORDERED:

Newton G. McCoy Administrative Judge

Issued: October 6, 2017



#### MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS STATE OF MISSOURI (MUNICIPAL DIVISION)

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

WHEREAS, Section 479.360, RSMo., as enacted by the General Assembly in SB 5, requires certification of substantial compliance with certain municipal court procedures, and WHEREAS, the municipal court procedures to be adopted and certified under Section 479 360 and SB 5 include the following:

- (1) Defendants in custody pursuant to an initial arrest warrant issued by a municipal judge have an opportunity to be heard by a judge in person, by telephone, or video conferencing as soon as practicable and not later than forty-eight hours on minor traffic violations and not later than seventy-two hours on other violations and, if not given that opportunity are released;
- (2) Defendants in municipal custody shall not be held more than twenty-four hours without a warrant after arrest, and

NOW THEREFORE, the Court hereby orders and adopts the following procedures in order to substantially adopt the procedures set forth above.

- 1. Weekend release rules for persons arrested on City ordinance violation charges and/or warrants on City ordinance violations charges who are unable to post bond in order to be released.
- a. Normal weekend without a Monday or Friday holiday:

Persons arrested without a warrant for *any* St. Louis city ordinance violation should be released (with a court date) no later than 24 hours after arrest-unless a warrant is issued.

Persons arrested on warrants issued *only* on minor traffic ordinance violations must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket within 48 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Saturday, and the defendant's *only* warrants are for minor traffic violations, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Saturday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Monday confined docket. Driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, and DUI are not minor traffic violations.

Person arrested on warrants issued on cases that *include* non-traffic ordinance violation charges [for instance, resisting, interfering, peace disturbance, petty larceny, etc.] or non-minor traffic violation charges [driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident or DUI] must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket with 72 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Friday and the defendant cannot be seen on the Friday confined docket, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Friday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Monday confined docket.

If a person is held on City Court warrants upon release from state court custody and charges, the above time limits shall be measured from the time the person is received into municipal custody after release from state custody.

#### b. Three day weekend with a Monday holiday:

Persons arrested without a warrant for *any* St. Louis city ordinance violation should be released no later than 24 hours after arrest unless a warrant is issued.

Persons arrested on warrants issued on minor traffic violations *only* must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket within 48 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Sunday, and the defendant's *only* warrants are for minor traffic violations, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Sunday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Tuesday confined docket. Driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, and DUI are *not* minor traffic violations.

Person arrested on warrants issued on cases that *include* any non-traffic ordinance violation charges or non-minor traffic violation charges [driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident or DUI] must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket with 72 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Saturday, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Saturday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Tuesday confined docket.

If a person is held on City Court warrants upon release from state court custody and charges, the above time limits shall be measured from the time the person is received into municipal custody after release from state custody.

#### c. Three day weekend with a Friday holiday:

Persons arrested without a warrant for *any* St. Louis city ordinance violation should be released no later than 24 hours after arrest unless a warrant is issued.

Persons arrested on warrants issued on minor traffic violations *only* must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket within 48 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Saturday, and the defendant's *only* warrants are for minor traffic violations, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Saturday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Monday confined docket. Driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, and DUI are *not* minor traffic violations.

Person arrested on warrants issued on cases that *include* any non-traffic ordinance violation charges or non-minor traffic violation charges [driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident or DUI] must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket with 72 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. If the arrest occurs before 2:00 PM on Friday, the defendant should be released with a new court date. If the arrest occurs after 2:00 PM on Friday, the defendant may be held to see a city court judge on the Monday confined docket.

If a person is held on City Court warrants upon release from state court custody and charges, the above time limits shall be measured from the time the person is received into municipal custody after release from state custody.

2. Rules for persons arrested on City ordinance violation charges and/or warrants on City ordinance violations charges who are unable to post bond in order to be released during the normal workweek.

Persons arrested without a warrant for *any* St. Louis city ordinance violation should be released (with a court date) no later than 24 hours after arrest unless a warrant is issued.

Persons arrested on warrants issued *only* on minor traffic ordinance violations must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket within 48 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released. Driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, and DUI are not minor traffic violations.

Person arrested on warrants issued on cases that *include* non-traffic ordinance violation charges [for instance, resisting, interfering, peace disturbance, petty larceny, etc.] or non-minor traffic violation charges [driving while suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident or DUI] must see a city court judge on the video link confined docket with 72 hours of arrest on the warrant or be released.

If a person is held on City Court warrants upon release from state court custody and charges, the above time limits shall be measured from the time the person is received into municipal custody after release from state custody.

### 3. This Administrative Order to be furnished to City Counselor and Police

**Department.** Copies of this Administrative Order shall be furnished to the City Counselor's Office and to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, with separate copy furnished to the Commander of Prisoner Processing. The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department is directed and requested to implement the provisions of this Administrative Order, effective immediately.

SO ORDERED this 27 day of August, 2015.

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Administrative Judge