

Downtown Parking Management Strategic Plan Implementation: Modify time limits, days/hours of enforcement

Background:

On September 15, 2020, Council adopted the Downtown Parking Management Strategic Plan: Implementation Plan. This plan and associated strategies for on-street parking were developed with data, vetted by the community and stakeholder group, and reviewed and discussed by the City Council before adoption.

The strategies in the plan fall into short-, mid-, and long-term strategies. This first step is a portion of Action 1a of the short-term strategies. The current budget includes updating the current contract for on-street parking enforcement to modify time limits, days/hours of parking enforcement to manage existing parking resources and prepare for the arrival of light rail. In response to city efforts to ensure safe and efficient management of on-street parking resources in Downtown, the time limits for on-street parking in Downtown Redmond and the Redmond Central Connector public parking lot will be changing to better maximize access to on-street parking for local businesses and visitors.

On-street parking is typically in the highest demand in downtowns and is often prioritized for customer and visitor access to support local businesses and access to Downtown goods and services. Strategies to encourage residents and employees to park in off-street locations will keep short-term access the priority for on-street parking. All time-limited on-street parking spaces will shift to a 2-hour limit for citywide consistency. Time-limited parking will change to 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday. In addition, parking enforcement will no longer issue warnings, and vehicles in violation of the on-street parking restrictions will be ticketed. These changes will go into effect January 1, 2024.



Community/Stakeholder Outreach and Involvement:

- March 2019: Online Questionnaire
- November 2019: Downtown Parking Advisory Group
- February 2020: One Redmond Governmental Affairs Group
- March 2020: Let's Connect Survey and StoryMap on Existing Conditions and Proposed Strategies
- September 2020: City of Redmond Planning Commission and Downtown Parking Advisory Group
- November 6, 2023: 1st Email announcement via GovDelivery
- November 15, 2023: On-street handout distribution of program change information and distribution of mailer with monthly permits

- November 20, 2023: Fall/Winter Focus
- November 27, 2023: 1st ENews announcement and social media posts
- November 29, 2023: 1st Our Stories announcement
- December 11, 2023: 2nd ENews announcement and social media posts
- December 13, 2023: 2nd Our Stories announcement
- December 14, 2023: 2nd Email announcement via GovDelivery
- December 26, 2023: 3rd ENews announcement and social media posts
- December 27, 2023: 3rd Our Stories announcement

Budget Impact:

Total amount included in the 2023-2024 Budget to modify time limits and days/hours of on-street parking enforcement is \$114,792.

- Budget Offer Number: 0000034 - Mobility of People and Goods
- Budget Priority: Vibrant and Connected

Council Review:

Previous Contacts:

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
2/11/2020	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Receive Information
2/18/2020	Study Session	Provide Direction
3/10/2020	Study Session	Receive Information
7/14/2020	Study Session	Provide Direction
9/15/2020	Business Meeting	Approve

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s):

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
11/14/2023	Study Session	Receive Information

Anticipated Result if Not Approved:

If implementation of the short-term strategies in the plan are impeded or delayed, progress toward advancing effective and more efficient management of Downtown parking resources would be more challenging once light rail service comes to Downtown Redmond. Light rail service is anticipated to begin in 2025/2026.