

EXTENSION OF COVID-19 RELATED TEMPORARY PARKING USER FEE REDUCTIONS THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 CITY COUNCIL | December 14, 2021

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BACKGROUND

EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

March 4, 2020 – California State of Emergency Declared

March 2020 to Present – Sonoma County Health Orders C19-01 to C19-18

- Extend the shelter-in-place order
- Clarifies, strengthens, and extends certain terms of prior Orders to increase social distancing and further reduce person-to-person contact
- Require mitigation measures for businesses allowed to operate
- Allow additional businesses to reopen; allow limited socially distanced access to parks for outdoor recreational activities



BACKGROUND - continued

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS

April 14, 2020 – Waived hourly garage fees and parking meter fees

June 16, 2020 – Resumed paid parking effective 7/1/20, with certain fee waivers, to 12/31/20

December 15, 2020 – Extended certain fees waivers to 6/30/21 or Yellow Tier

April 27, 2021 – Extended certain fee waivers to 6/30/2021 regardless of Yellow Tier

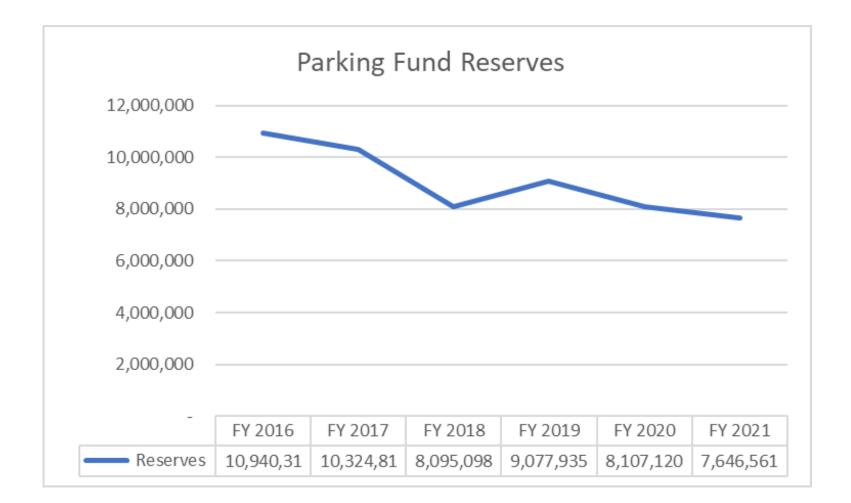
June 22, 2021 – Extended certain fee waivers to 12/31/2021

PARKING FEE WAIVER IMPACTS January 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022

- Free parking at all five garages, Monday Friday from 5 PM to 1 AM
 - Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$104,000
- Free parking at all five garages on Saturday and Sunday (except 5th Street and D Street garages which are free on Sunday)
 - Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$124,000
- First hour free at 3rd Street, 5th Street and D Street garages
 - Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$70,000
- One free metered parking session using the Passport mobile payment application
 - Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$31,500
- Waive meter reservation fees for temporary parklets
 - Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$104,000



PARKING FUND IMPACTS



RECOMMENDATION

• It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council, by resolution, authorize an extension through June 30, 2022 of: 1) the first hour free at the 3rd Street, 5th Street and D Street garages (first hour is already free at the 1st and 7th Street garages); 2) free parking at all five garages, Monday- Friday from 5PM to 6AM (Parking is already free from 1AM to 6AM); 3) free parking at all five garages on Saturday and Sunday (the D Street and 5th Street garages already have free parking on Sunday); 4) one free metered parking session using the Passport mobile payment application, up to \$3.15 in value, to a maximum of \$31,500.00 since inception on July 1, 2020; and 5) a waiver of meter reservation fees for temporary parklets, outdoor seating and retail to expand business footprint to meet physical distancing requirements related to COVID-19 health order.

QUESTIONS?