



**EXTEND PARKING USER FEE  
REDUCTIONS**

RELATED TO COVID-19

**CITY COUNCIL | JUNE 22, 2021**

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# BACKGROUND

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## 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

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## 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



# PARKING FEE WAIVER IMPACTS

## July 1, 2021-December 31, 2021

- Free parking at all five garages, Monday – Friday from 5 PM to 1 AM

**Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$72,000**

- Free parking at all five garages on Saturday and Sunday (except 5<sup>th</sup> Street and D Street garages which are free on Sunday)
- **Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$106,000**



# PARKING FEE WAIVER IMPACTS

## July 1, 2021-December 31, 2021

- First hour free at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Street and D Street garages

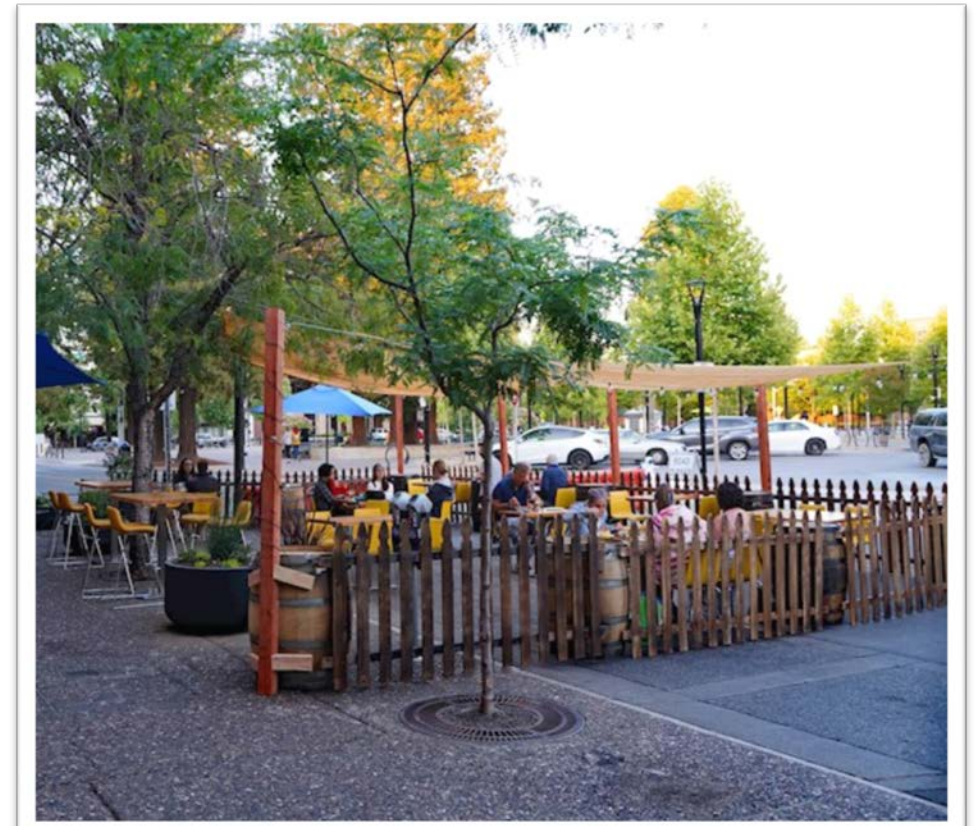
**Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$52,000**

- One free metered parking session using the Passport mobile payment application

**Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$31,000**

- Waive meter reservation fees for temporary parklets

**Fiscal Impact: Estimated \$125,000**



# PARKING FUND IMPACTS

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**JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021**

**(\$455K ) Parking Fee Waivers**

**\$6.6M June 30, 2021 Estimated Parking Fund available balance**

**JULY 1, 2021 – DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**\$5M June 30, 2022 Estimated Parking Fund available balance (w/out fee waivers)**

**(\$208K) 1<sup>st</sup> hour free at garages, temporary parklet fee waivers, mobile app**

**(\$386K) Extend all current fee waivers**



# RECOMMENDATION

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It is recommended by the Finance Department that the Council: 1) by motion, find good cause, under the Early Agenda Policy and the Open Government Ordinance, to consider this item, notwithstanding that the item did not appear on the preliminary agenda; and 2) by resolution, authorize an extension through December 31, 2021 of (a) the first hour free at the 3rd Street, 5th Street and D Street garages through December 31, 2021 (first hour is already free at the 1st and 7th Street garages), (b) 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 (c) A waiver of meter reservation fees for temporary parklets, outdoor seating and retail to expand business footprint to meet physical distancing requirements related to the COVID-19 health order.



QUESTIONS?