

TO: Mountain Village Town Council

FROM: Paul Wisor, Town Manager; Jim Loebe, Transit & Recreation Director

DATE: September 14, 2023

RE: Discussion Regarding Day Parking Fees and Parking Policy Changes for 2023-24 Winter

Season

Executive Summary: The draft parking system analysis, including market rate study has been completed by Walker Consultants and is available for presentation to Council. In preparation for the upcoming ski season, and before formally adopting the study, the parking committee is requesting full council feedback on rates and policies as recommended in the analysis.

Overview

In order to more effectively manage the parking supply issue during the ski season, last fall the Town engaged the services of a consultant to perform a system and market rate analysis. The draft study finds that the single largest contributing factor to the parking supply issue is free day parking. Instituting fees, in combination with policy changes, will provide temporary relief to the supply issues. Parking fees will also bolster revenues which are currently inadequate to fund managed parking operations, existing maintenance requirements, and / or expansion efforts.

The parking committee is seeking council and public input on the following condensed rate schedule and policy change overview. A more detailed summary is included in the meeting materials.

Consultant Rate and Policy Recommendations:

GPG – Daily Rates (Winter Only)

Monday – Thursday \$15/Day
 Friday – Sunday \$25/Day
 Overnight (2am – 6:30am) \$30

• Commuter / Employee Permit \$200/Season

Resident Permits Exempt from Day Rates

Meadows - Daily Rates (Winter Only)

Monday – Thursday \$10/Day
 Friday – Sunday \$15/Day
 Commuter / Employee Permit \$200/Season

• Free After 5pm

• Overnight By Permit Only (2am – 6:30am)

• Resident Permits Exempt from Day Rates

Heritage – Hourly Rates

Monday – Thursday \$5/Hour
 Friday – Sunday \$10/Hour
 Max Rate \$50/24 Hours

No Permit Parking

North Village Center – Hourly Rates

Monday – Thursday \$5/Hour
 Friday – Sunday \$10/Hour
 Max Rate \$50/Day

No Permit Parking

South Village Center – Hourly Rates

Monday – Thursday \$5/Hour
 Friday – Sunday \$10/Hour
 Max Rate \$50/24 Hours

No Permit Parking

Permits

• Employee / Commuter \$200/Season (Winter Only) \$50/Month if not paid in advance

o Valid in Gondola Parking Garage and Meadows Lot

o Available to anyone employed by a business located in Mountain Village

Proof of employment required

Transferrable to encourage carpooling

No overnight parking privileges

Resident \$100/Year

o Free unlimited day parking in Gondola Parking Garage

o Free unlimited day parking in Meadows Lot

o No longer valid in North Village Center or Market Plaza rock wall

o Proof of Mountain Village residency required (Deed or 12 month or greater lease)

Violations

• All \$30 violations increase to \$75



WHY MANAGED PARKING IS IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE









Access for all parkers in the community

Easier for customers to access businesses

Increased merchant revenues

Growth in sales tax that can be used to reinvest

WHAT ARE THE ISSUES WE ARE FACING TODAY

128

Days in the 22/23 ski season

50+/-

Days parking is nearly full of full.



The parking system fund only covers the current operation and maintenance needs. It is *not* financially capable of existing debt service, investing in new infrastructure or technology.

WHAT CONTRIBUTES TO PARKING BEING TOO FULL TOO OFTEN

#1

Free Parking: Free parking in the Gondola Parking Garage and Meadows Lot is the single largest contributing factor to parking being full too often.

#2

SOV: Single occupancy vehicles is the second largest contributor to the parking supply being full too often. Free parking leads to more people driving alone.

#3

Policies: Some policies are no longer appropriate with todays needs; therefore, don't allow for alterative transportation options to be incentivized.

#4

↑ Visitation: Visitation to the area continues to grow.

WHY ARE CHANGES NEEDED TO POLICIES & PARKING PRICING?

- Climate action goals
- Reduction of singleoccupant vehicles
- A sustainable parking program
- Ability to invest in:
 - New parking infrastructure and supply
 - Technology upgrades
 - New signage and wayfinding

- Encourage use of alternative transportation
 - Carpool
 - Vanpool
 - SMART transit
- Modernization of parking operations
- Financial self-sufficiency
- Balance needs for all user groups
- Improve user experience







RECOMMENDED ACTIONS





Completed in fall of 2022

- ✓ Adjust number of permits issued for Big Billie's residents to Meadows Lot so more overflow parking can be accommodated in this lot.
- ✓ Temporary use of airport lot by permit

Recommendations for next winter season

- Modify policies for Resident permit parking
- Modify tiered parking rates
 - Increase parking rates in HPG and North and South Village Lots
 - Implement day user fees in Gondola Parking Garage and Meadows Lot
 - Increase parking permit rates
 - Increase parking violation fees
- Establish a parking permit program for employees and commuters.

OUTCOMES OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS



Increased carpooling: Reduction in SOV



Climate action goals: Reduced GHG.



Increases use of SMART





- Technology
- More actively managed system
- New infrastructure



Provide commuters and employees not living in TMV the ability to park without negatively impacting them for living outside of town.

^{*}Additional revenue sources may be required to support debt service of new infrastructure.

MOVING FORWARD WITH A BETTER MANAGED SYSTEM

Change is hard; but it's the right thing to do.

Start small and take a transitional approach

Communicate
with the
community

Implementation











PEER RESORT & COMMUNITY PRICING





































PEER RESORT & COMMUNITY PRICING

- 12 peer resorts and/or mountain communities examined
- Key findings:
 - Comparable parking facilities charge more on average than Mountain Village
 - Most peer facilities have tiered pricing models where the most convenient parking facilities and/or parking structures have higher rates than lots further away
 - Rates vary between the weekend and weekdays
 - Hourly parking rates were, on average, about 2x more than Mountain Village
 - Many peer locations do not offer overnight parking



Weekday Average: \$20

Weekend Average: \$26

Highest Observed: \$50



OVERNIGHT PARKING RATES (WHERE OFFERED)

Range of Rates: \$35 - \$60



PROPOSED NEW TIERED RATE STRUCTURE



Meadows Lot

\$\$ PREFERRED

Gondola Garage

\$\$\$ PREMIUM

- Heritage Garage
- North & South Village Lots



PERMIT ONLY

Airport (R) Lot

COMMUTER/EMPLOYEE PERMITS

- New permit option
- Low price and equitable access for employees who live outside the Town
- Proposed cost is \$200 per winter season
 - Equates to about \$2 per day
 - Proof of employment required within TMV
 - \$50 per month if not paid in advance
- Valid in Gondola Garage and Meadows Lot as space permits
- Carpooling and sharing of permit cost amongst riders possible and should be encouraged
- Cost set to encourage carpooling or other transit options
- Permit is transferable



HERITAGE GARAGE

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RATES

\$2 per hour

Max rate: \$35 per day

Mon – Thurs: \$5 per hour Fri - Sun: \$10 per hour

Max rate: \$50 per day



HOURS

Rate always in effect

No change



OVERNIGHT PARKING

With payment

No change



RV/TRAILER PARKING

Not allowed

No change



PERMIT PARKING

N/A

N/A

NORTH VILLAGE LOT

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RATES

6 PM - 6: 30 AM:

6: 30 AM - 6 PM:

Mon – Thurs: \$5 per hour

Fri - Sun: \$10 per hour

Max rate: \$50 per day

6: 30 AM – 2 AM Daily



HOURS

Not allowed

\$2 per hour

Free

(2 AM - 6:30 AM)

No change



PARKING

RV/TRAILER

PARKING

OVERNIGHT

Not allowed

No change



PERMIT PARKING Free parking with resident permit 6: 30 AM - 2 AM

No free parking for resident permits

SOUTH VILLAGE LOT

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RATES

6: 30 AM – 6 PM: Free (30 min limit) Mon – Thurs: \$5 per hour Fri - Sun: \$10 per hour



HOURS

6 PM – 2 AM: Free (No time limit) Max rate: \$50 per day

6: 30 AM – 2 AM Daily



OVERNIGHT PARKING

Not allowed (2 AM – 6:30 AM)

No change



RV/TRAILER PARKING

Not allowed

No change



PERMIT PARKING

Not allowed

No change

RESIDENT PERMITS

- \$100 annually
 - Market potential to increase permit rates
- 12+-month lease or property deed required to get permit
- Free unlimited parking at and along rock wall and at North Village Center no longer permitted due to capacity restraints
- Free unlimited day parking at Gondola Garage and Meadows Lot



MEADOWS LOT

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RATES

Free

Mon – Thurs: \$10 per day

Fri - Sun: \$15 per day

Free after 5 PM



HOURS

N/A

8 AM – 5 PM daily



OVERNIGHT PARKING

Only with permit

Up to two additional nontransferrable permits valid at \$100 per season per Meadows residential address.



RV/TRAILER PARKING

Not allowed

No change



PERMIT PARKING

Resident permit, Lot M permit only Free unlimited resident and commuter permit daytime parking as space permits.

GONDOLA GARAGE

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RATES

Free

Mon - Thurs: \$15 per day Fri - Sun: \$25 per day



HOURS

N/A

6: 30 AM – 2 PM daily



OVERNIGHT PARKING

\$25 (Open deck levels only)

\$30. Bulk overnight passes increase by \$5 each.



RV/TRAILER PARKING

\$50

\$60



PERMIT PARKING

\$270 for overnight permit.

\$300 for overnight business permit.

Free unlimited resident permit daytime parking as space permits

AIRPORT (R) LOT

EXISTING

PROPOSED



RV/TRAILER PARKING

N/A

\$100 for oversized vehicle permit



PERMIT PARKING

N/A

\$50 unlimited resident parking approved in October

Offer permit for commuters and other non-residents at higher price as/if space permits

Provide a summer permit option

PARKING VIOLATION FINES

		EXISTING	PROPOSED
\$ 4	ABANDONMENT OF VEHICLE	\$30	\$75
\$ 4	STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING PROHIBITED IN A SPECIFIC AREA	\$30	\$75
\$ 4	PARKING LONGER THAN MAXIMUM TIME ALLOWED IN METERED LOTS	\$30	\$75
\$ 4	FAILURE TO PURCHASE PARKING VIA METER OR APP	\$30	\$75