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Proposed Parking Fee Changes

Gainesville City Commission

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Overview

Proposal to adjust parking fees based on data and multiple parking studies to improve parking system management. To include:

- Hourly parking rate structure
- Neighborhood parking permit rate and zone structure
- Parking enforcement hours extended
- Location of paid and free parking
- Demand management pricing

Improved Parking Management Addresses

City's 2021 Community Survey #2 mobility priority

- Make it easier to find public parking

Top Priority City goal for Vision Zero

- Increase pedestrian and bicycle safety
- Reduce travel speeds

High Priority City goal for Climate Change reducing:

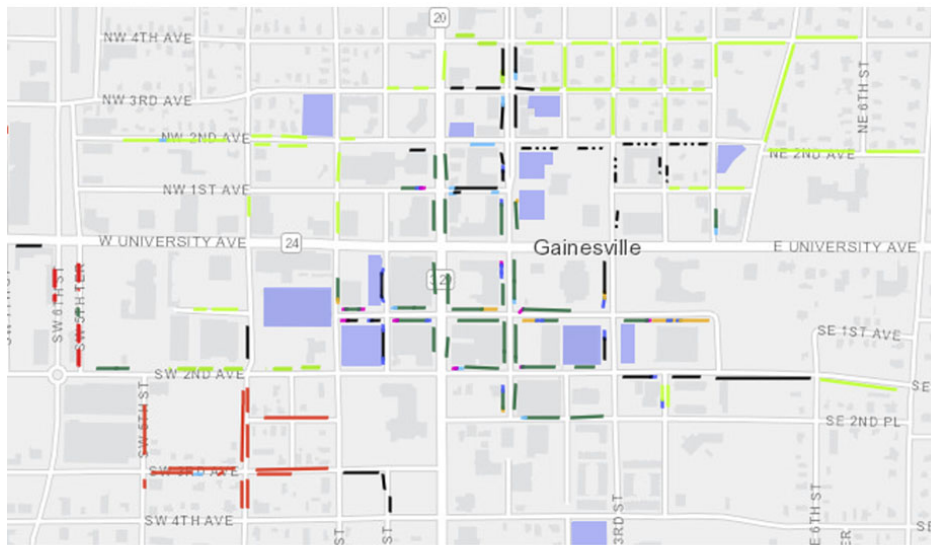
- Circling for a parking space
- Vehicle GHG emissions
- Traffic congestion

Hourly Parking

- Simpler rate structure, time limits and types of available parking **allows for more efficient curb management while increasing the availability of parking** to better serve neighbors and businesses in adjacent areas
- Current rates vary from \$0.25 to \$0.50/hour
- Chaotic free spaces; paid spaces on and off-street; varied time limits
- Garage parking monthly, quarterly and annual rates will remain unchanged
- Rates were last increased 17 years ago in 2004
- Potential increase in revenue approximately \$225,000/year

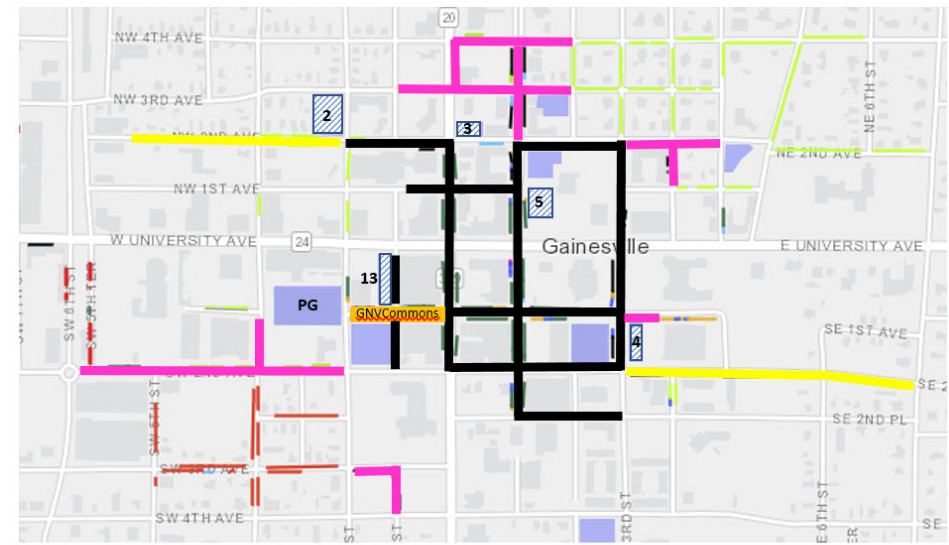
Hourly Parking

Current



Black = paid (time limit varies); **Red** = neighborhood permit required; **Dark Green** = time limited / 2 hr; **Light Green** = Free, no restrictions; **Blue** = off-street parking

Proposed



Black = paid parking (convert all to \$1.00/hr, max 2 hr); **Red** = neighborhood permit required; **Pink** = convert to paid parking (\$0.50/hr max 2 hr); **Yellow** = paid parking (convert all to \$0.50/hr, max 4 hr); **Light Green** = Free, no restrictions; **PG** = Garage (convert to \$0.50 per hour, 24 hr); **1** = Surface lots (convert to \$0.50/hr; max 4 hr)

PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS:

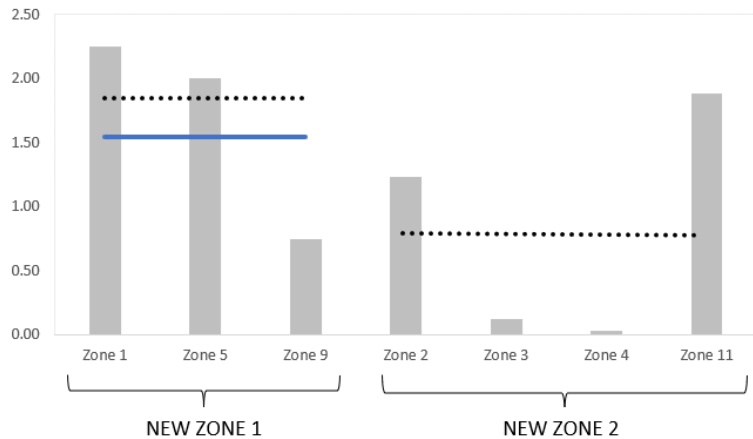
- Convert high demand spaces to paid 2 hour spaces at *up to* \$1.00 / hour
- Convert off-street surface lots to 4 hour limit
- Reduce garage rate to \$0.50 / hour

Neighborhood Parking

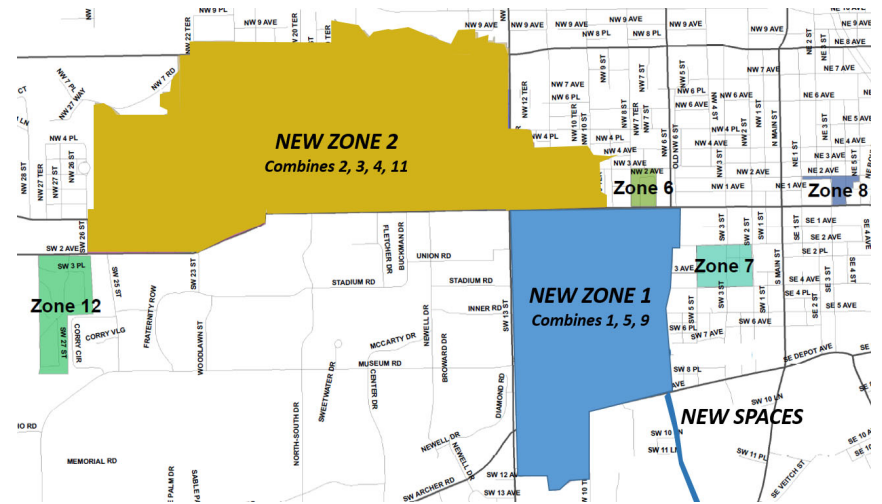
- Current zone structure = 11 parking zones
- Proposed zone structure = 6 zones

PERMIT / SPACE RATIO

During FY21 program year a total of 2,573 permits were issued; 2,405 spaces available.



Current Ratio
 Merged Zones Ratio
 Merged Zones plus New Spaces Ratio



Proposed changes include merging permit zones north of UF campus and east of 13th Street; plus adding 169 on-street parking spaces on SW 6th Street as part of a Vision Zero project to slow traffic speeds and provide a key connection in the bicycle network.

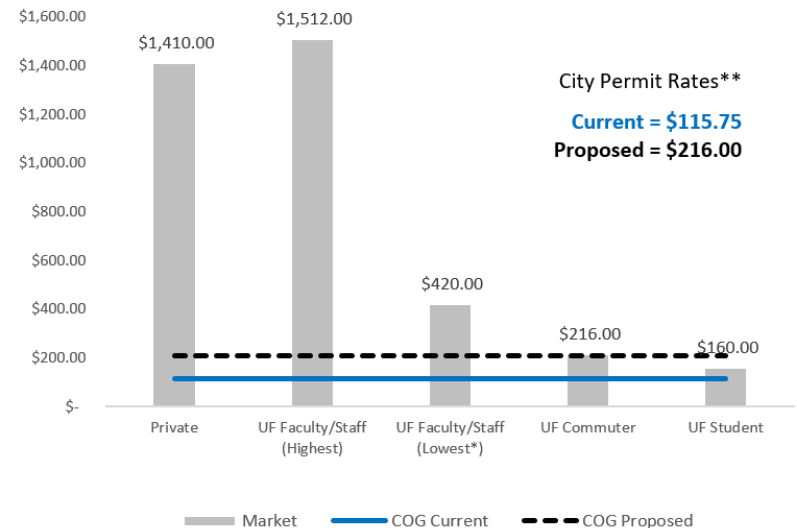
Neighborhood Parking

- Merging zones nearest UF campus would allow better use of available spaces
- Current permit rates significantly lower when compared to market rates
- Proposed annual rate changes:

Permit Fees	Current	Proposed
Zones 1/2/5 (NH-B)	\$ 115.75	\$ 216.00
All others (NH-A)	\$ 58.00	\$ 216.00
Homestead (1y)	\$ 23.00	\$ 108.00
Homestead (3y)	\$ 69.50	\$ 324.00
Service & Commercial	\$ 23.75	\$ 145.00
Visitor	\$ -	\$ 50.00

- Potential increase in revenue approximately: **\$225,000**

ANNUAL COST OF PARKING PERMITS



* UF rates published online at <https://taps.ufl.edu/decals/>

** City permit rates depict the current highest residential rate for Zones 1, 2, and 5. Other City permits include Residential in other zones for \$58/year; Homestead (all zones) for \$23/year; and Commercial/Service for \$23.75/year. Visitor permits are free.



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QUESTIONS?