# GREAT FALLS PARKING FACILITIES



### Garages:

- North Deck Gated facility with transient and monthly parking controlled by Federal APD PARC's equipment and SKNET card access.
- North Deck Monthly permits sold in garage office.
- North Deck Gates down M-F 7:30a to 6p
- South Deck ungated facility with monthly and transient parking. Transient parking paid through Flowbird unit.
- · South Deck Monthly parking sold by City (via Passport) and license plate enforced by SP+ enforcement staff

#### Surface Lots & Meter:

### Four surface lots

- Lot 2 38 spaces permits only
- · Lot 4 139 spaces permits and coin box transient parking
- Lot 7 30 spaces permits and coin box transient parking
- Lot 8 58 spaces permits and coin box transient parkng





# GREAT FALLS PARKING



## **GREAT FALLS – CURRENT STATE 2024**



### HIGHLIGHTS:

- Garage parking equipment that is 40 years old
- · Single and double space meter heads accepting coins
- Coin boxes on surface lots
- Parking rates have not changed since 2019
- · Multi-space meters located on Central Avenue

### OBJECTIVES:

- Update parking equipment to increase efficiency and control
- Use technology to create the opportunity to utilize staff to provide better service at no additional cost to the City
- · Use technology to improve the customer experience







## GREAT FALLS – 2021 to 2023 Financial Performance

## **Great Falls Financial Review**

- 2023 Operating Surplus 5% growth over 2022.
- Monthly Parking has increased from \$253,981 in 2021 to \$355,525 in 2023
- Transient Parking & Meter Parking have increased from \$163,589 in 2021 to \$221,342 in 2023
- Operating expenses have only increased 3.2% since 2021

	Dec-23	Dec-22	Dec-21
Gross Revenue	593 <mark>,</mark> 968.00	588,324.00	435,384.00
Operating Expenses			
Wages	203,590.00	217,881.00	218,657.00
Taxes and Benefits	77,050.00	65,723.00	65,747.00
Other Operating Expenses	109,116.00	111,376.00	95 <mark>,</mark> 523.00
Management Fee	24,859.00	23,221.00	21,999.00
Total Expenses	414,615.00	418,201.00	401,926.00
Operating Surplus	179,353.00	170,123.00	33,458.00



# GREAT FALLS STAFFING



## Staffing

- Facility Manager (1) manage the SP+ team, SP+ liason to the City of Great Fall
- North Deck Cashier / Customer Service Rep (1) Cashier for transient parking customers. Greet & assist customers who stop in garage office
- **Maintenance Technician (1)** maintain equipment on locations, clean the facilities (include sweeping, power washing and snow removal), 4 days a week provide second person to empty meters.
- Enforcement Officers (3) Enforce three areas of the downtown area



# GREAT FALLS ENFORCEMENT ZONES



### **Enforcement Zones**

- Zone 1 walking route North parking meter areas
- Zone 2 walking route South parking meter areas
- Zone 3 Vehicle enforcement South Deck, surface lots and Central Avenue
- Central Avenue has 14 Flowbird multi-space meters
- Enforcement revenue is processed through Passport and distributed to the City by Passport on a monthly basis.







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# GREAT FALLS PARKING RATES

## **Great Falls Garage & Surface Lot rates**

- Transient parking 50 cents an hour to a \$5 daily maximum
- Garage parking monthly rate \$51
- Surface Lot monthly rate \$35
- Parking holiday scheduled to end 8/31/24

## **Great Falls on street rates and Violations**

• \$1 per hour with a two hour maximum time stay

### Violations

- Enforcement Notice 1 Courtesy Notice
- Enforcement Notice 2 \$5 violation
- Enforcement Notice 3 \$10 violation
- Enforcement Notice 4 \$20 violation
- Violations reset annually
- Courtesy notice is a 1 time per plate courtesy





32" x 32" Pay Sign



# MISSOULA & HELENA PARKING RATES



## **Missoula Parking rates**

- Transient parking \$1 per hour to a \$10 daily maximum
- Garage parking monthly rate \$75 to \$85
- Surface Lot monthly rate \$35 to \$70

## **Missoula on street rates and Violations**

• Tiered starting at \$1 per hour up to \$18.50 for 8 hours of parking

### Violations

- Enforcement Notice 1 Courtesy Notice
- Enforcement Notice 2 \$5 violation
- Enforcement Notice 3 \$10 violation
- Enforcement Notice 4 \$15 violation
- Enforcement Notice 5 \$20 violation
- Handicap parking Violations \$100

## Helena Garage & Surface Lot rates

- Transient parking \$1 per hour to a \$8 daily maximum
- Monday to Friday, 8a to 5p 1 hour free at two locations
- Free parking evenings, weekends and holidays
- Garage parking monthly rate \$85
- Surface Lot monthly rate \$70
- On-Street permit \$60

### Violations

- \$10 meter violation
- \$25 overtime and other street violation
- \$100 handicap violation



# GREAT FALLS PARKING SYSTEM OPPORTUNITIES

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- Replace the parking equipment in the garages with camera based equipment
- System can be gated or ungated using AI cameras
- In the gated environment, payment must be made to exit and can be supported with 24/7 customer service support
- New equipment will improve controls, reduce revenue leakage, and improve the customer experience
- New technology can also be the basis for a small increase in rates
- · Increase rates to to on par with other cities in Montana
- Little to no capital investment by the City for a SaaS Fee based digital solution
- Replace the Coin Boxes with QR code signage to allow customers to Scan to Pay digitally
- Camera based technology creates the opportunity for the North garage cashier to be free to be a full-time customer service representative to assist with monthly parking questions and violation questions
- Convert on-street meters to text to pay/QR code scan to pay eliminating meter head repair costs. Open API solutions to allow multiple apps on the same meter.

