

New Parking Rates Will Go into Effect in Montgomery County on Monday, Jan. 3

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New parking rates at Montgomery County-operated garages, parking lots and street meters will go into effect beginning on Monday, Jan. 3, and will be implemented in stages over the following months. The Montgomery County Council adopted the parking rates as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 budget process.

Parking revenues go directly to the management, maintenance and improvements of parking programs and services. A portion also goes to supplement other County programs such as the Urban Districts, which support streetscape improvements, lighting maintenance and clean-and-safe crews throughout downtown areas.

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT), which operates public parking in the County, will modify the hourly rates. Rate increases are calculated based on the parking district's budget. This is reviewed by MCDOT and the executive office and approved by [Council resolution](#).

To encourage improved traffic management, public safety and provide available convenient spaces for public use, lower rates are applied in off-street facilities and a premium is placed for on-street parking. Pay by Cell support through the downloadable [Park Mobile app](#) is available at all on-street metered parking, in County-owned parking lots and ungated County-owned garages.

MCDOT's Division of Parking Management will place informational signs about the new rates at garages and lots in advance of the planned changes.

The following chart reflects the new parking rates. All scheduled dates are effective "On or About" as indicated:

| Effective Date | Facilities Affected | New Hourly Rates | New Hours Requiring Payment |
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| January 3, 2022 | Bethesda Lots | \$2.00 | 9a-10p M-Sa (No Change) |
| | Bethesda Garages 40, 47, 57 | \$1.75 | 7a-10p M-F (No Change) |
| | Bethesda Garages 31, 35, 36, 42, 49 | \$1.50 | 7a-10p M-F (No Change) |
| | Silver Spring Lots | \$1.25 (No Change) | 7a-10p M-F |
| | Silver Spring Garages 58, 60, 61 | \$1.25 (No Change) | 7a-10p M-F |
| | Silver Spring Garages 3, 7, 9, 16 | \$1.00 (No Change) | 7a-10p M-F |
| | Wheaton Streets | \$1.25 | 9a-6p M-Sa (No Change) |
| | Wheaton Garages | \$1.00 | 9a-6p M-Sa (No Change) |
| January 10, 2022 | Wheaton Lots | \$1.00 | 7a-10p M-Sa |
| January 18, 2022 | Silver Spring Garages 2, 4, 5, 55 | \$1.00 (No Change) | 9a-10p M-F |
| February 1, 2022 | Bethesda Garage 11 | \$1.50 | 7a-10p |
| April 1, 2022 | Silver Spring Streets | \$2.00 (No Change) | 9a-10p M-F |

Parking permit rates:

| Effective Date | Permit Affected | New Rates |
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| February 1, 2022 | Silver Spring Convenience Access Pass Only Garages 60, 61 | \$195 per Month |
| | Silver Spring Daily Permit | \$15.00 |
| | Bethesda Convenience Access Pass and Parking Convenience Sticker (PCS) | \$195 per Month |
| | Bethesda Daily Permit & Lost Ticket | \$22.50 |

All other rates, including carpool passes, remain unchanged.

MCDOT continues to enhance its transportation options and support clean energy solutions with the deployment of Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations at six garages and lots in Silver Spring. Parking is available for four hours at these spaces using the ChargePoint.com system and electricity rates are charged at \$0.13/kWh. For more information on the program, visit <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-parking/ElectricVehicle.html>.

MCDOT can assist in finding carpools and vanpools that qualify for reduced parking rates in County parking facilities and can provide information to help reduce transportation costs. Programs include FareShare transit subsidies and discounts for bikeshare and e-scooters for low-income residents. For more information, visit the TRiPS Commuter Store located on the second level of the Silver Spring Transit Center or go to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/commute.

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