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PAID PARKING TO START IN VALLEJO WATERFRONT GARAGE AND FERRY LOTS ON THURSDAY AUGUST 1, 2013

The City of Vallejo will begin charging for parking in the Vallejo Waterfront Garage and ferry parking lots starting August 1, 2013. The City of Vallejo opened a new 750-space waterfront parking garage on October 15, 2012. The garage was developed as part of the Downtown Specific Plan and Waterfront Planned Development Master Plan, which calls for the ability to meet the parking needs of the SolTrans Bus Terminal and the WETA Ferry Terminal. The Master Plan envisions an improved pedestrian environment and mixed use development comprised of housing, sidewalk cafes, retail, and office spaces. The construction of the garage (including lighting, surveillance, and increased security) has improved the safety of the waterfront area.

The City planned for the waterfront garage and lots to be priced to cover the cost of operations and maintenance of the new garage. After an analysis of operating costs and several community meetings, in October 2012 the Vallejo City Council approved fees have been approved at \$20 per calendar month (5 a.m. – 9 p.m.), or \$5 per day (up to 24 hours). Monthly parkers can extend their parking overnight for \$4/day. These fees apply to the new parking garage and the adjacent surface parking lots, which are marked as paid parking areas. These prices were set at the lowest possible rate to cover ongoing operation and maintenance of the new parking garage and the adjacent parking lots.

Customers will be able to pay at one of the 19 conveniently located kiosks, on their smart phone or device using the Parkmobile App or online. Permits are tied to the license plate number of the vehicle parking in the lot – no dashboard display or assigned stall is required. However, drivers without a license plate can put the receipt in their vehicle as proof of payment. A demonstration video on how to use the pay stations will be available on the City's website in late July.

To ensure all customers are aware of the fee implementation, the City will be posting several notifications online, at the ferry building, and through San Francisco Bay Ferry. Several staff and trained ambassadors will be stationed at various locations prior to implementation and the first two days of implementation from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., to help customers and answer questions.

Paid waterfront parking is part of a comprehensive parking management plan (link to plan) recently completed by the City and its consultants with the goals of:

Increasing parking convenience for ferry and bus riders to increase transit ridership and decrease regional traffic congestion;



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- Description Paying for maintenance and security of parking facilities that benefit ferry and bus riders; and
- Ensuring adequate parking for current and future ferry commuters without impacting downtown shoppers, visitors, or residents of nearby neighborhoods

For any questions regarding paid waterfront parking, please call Daniele Petrone or Gordon Hansen at 415-284-1544 or email VallejoPark@nelsonnygaard.com. You may also contact <u>Marty Hanneman</u>, Interim Traffic Engineer at 707-648-4300.