

**Summary of Paid Parking Plans
To be Discussed at the Board of Commissioners' Meeting on
January 18, 2022**

The plans in the January Board of Commissioners meeting packet propose a total of 935 on-street and off-street parking spaces on existing property owned by the Town and selected Right of Way (RoW) areas with both public and private beach access. It provides for 367 parking spots in Town-owned lots and 568 RoW spots.

Previous plans included Golf Cart/Low Speed Vehicle (LSV) spots. The new plan refers to this as "compact" vehicles. These spots are mainly located on residential streets 25' to 125' from their intersection with Ocean Blvd.

It is important to note that revenue from off-street parking (i.e., in parking lots) has no restrictions in how it can be used by the Town, while on-street/RoW parking revenues have restrictions (i.e., can't be used to finance the pier).

Paid Parking will run from Shell Street on the western end of the island to the far east end.

The following parking rates apply to all vehicles without exception:

- \$4/hour for up to 4 hours
- \$20/day
- \$80/week
- \$250/Season, supports any 2 licensed vehicles, including LSVs and trailers.
- \$40 for vehicle + trailer parking/day

All parking fees will be paid using the Vendor's mobile App, SurfCAST.

Town Parking Ordinances will be updated to prohibit parking at any time on public streets or public rights of way except in designated paid parking spaces.

Parking enforcement will be performed by the vendor.

Parking Season will be from 1 April through 31 October, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Initial signage/equipment costs are estimated to be \$26,970 for 300 signs.

Owners will no longer be allowed to put posts and rope in the right of way to prevent parking in front of their property.

Concerns and What this Means for Property Owners:

- The use of posts and ropes to stop people from parking on your yard is now prohibited if in the RoW.
- Many streets, but oddly not all, that run into Ocean Blvd have designated parking between 25' and 125' of the intersection. What this means is if your home is in this range there will probably be paid public parking adjacent to your home. Some streets have it on one side or the other, some streets have it on both sides.
- If there are public parking spots in front of your home, you and your guests/visitors must pay to park there when paid parking is in effect
- If your home does not have designated parking in front of it, you and your guests/visitors can longer park in the right of way.
- The rules are in effect 365/24/7 - not just when paid parking is in effect. In other words, if the spots in front of your home are not designated as parking, you still can't park there in January or summer evenings.
- There are designated public parking spots in areas where there are no public beach accessways. If you are on one of the far western streets such as Shell, Schooner, Windjammer, Sunshine, Clippership, Marshwalk, etc. that have no public beach access, only private accesses, there are still designated public parking spots for Compact vehicles.
- The parking plan calls for 935 public parking spaces. This many off-island visitors will impact the character of the beach.
- The Town-owned properties in the 800 block will be immediately turned into parking lots. A very large number of property owners opposed this action when it was first mentioned earlier this year.
- If there is public parking in front of your home, any landscaping or other improvements in the right-of-way can be destroyed