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## **TOWN OF SPRINGDALE TO IMPLEMENT NEW ON-STREET PARKING POLICIES**

### ***Paid Parking Program to begin Monday, April 16, 2018***

**SPRINGDALE, UTAH, April 4, 2018** - The Town of Springdale will be implementing new on-street parking policies on Monday, April 16, 2018. These policies will dramatically alter the way on-street parking is regulated in the Town. All public streets in Springdale will be designated as paid parking, permit parking, or no parking. There will no longer be free on-street parking in Springdale. Information about the new parking policies is available at [www.springdaleparking.com](http://www.springdaleparking.com).

These new parking regulations are intended to better manage parking congestion in Springdale. Due to recent dramatic increases in visitation to Zion National Park, parking congestion in Springdale has become unmanageable. Parking congestion decreases safety for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians; impacts efficient traffic flow; and detracts from the Town's village character. The new parking policies, combined with infrastructure changes associated with the recent SR-9 reconstruction project, will lead to better control and management of on-street parking.

Beginning on Monday, April 16, visitors to Springdale should anticipate paying to park on the street. Parking rates will be \$1 for the first hour of parking and \$3.50 for each additional hour, or \$22 to park all day long. Revenue from the paid parking program will be used to make continued improvements to the transportation and parking system for the benefit of Town residents and visitors alike. The Town anticipates funding projects such as regional public transit, additional pedestrian and bicycle facilities, off-street parking areas, and other transportation improvements with the parking revenue.

Paid on-street parking will be enforced seven days a week, from 6am to 6pm. The Town asks visitors to obey all "no parking" and "permit parking" signs. The Town will issue parking citations to vehicles parked in a no parking area, in a residential permit parking area without the appropriate permit, in a paid on-street parking zone without paying the required fee, and in other situations that violate the Town's parking ordinance. The Town further requests that visitors respect "customer only" and "patron only" parking signs at local businesses.

Springdale Town residents are eligible for residential parking permits. Residential parking permits will allow unlimited on-street parking on streets designated as residential permit parking areas. Residential parking permits will also allow residents to park in any paid on-street parking area in Town for two consecutive hours each day. Residents desiring to park in paid parking areas for periods longer than two hours will need to pay the appropriate parking fees described above.

To qualify for a residential parking permit a resident must supply either a Springdale Town water bill or a Rocky Mountain Power bill with a Springdale address. A maximum of two parking permits per Springdale residence will be issued. Residents can apply for residential parking permits and upload the required utility bill documentation at [www.springdaleparking.com](http://www.springdaleparking.com).

The Town recognizes these policies are a significant change from past practice. However, these changes are necessary to help mitigate the problems associated with increasing visitation to Zion National Park and resultant parking congestion in Springdale. The Town anticipates these parking policies will result in better management of on-street parking and overall enhancements to the Town's transportation system and will help promote the Town's village character.

*The Town of Springdale is located in Washington County, Utah. Situated immediately outside the boundaries of Zion National Park, Springdale is oriented around the resulting tourist industry.*

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If you would like more information about this topic, please call the Springdale Parking Administrator at (435)772-3434, or email [parking@springdaletown.com](mailto:parking@springdaletown.com).