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Transportation Services Weekend Parking Proposal Results

At the beginning of the summer, UC San Diego Transportation Services (TS) reopened the deliberative process on weekend parking fees and [committed to a close collaboration](#) with Associated Students (AS), the Graduate Student Association (GSA), and the Student Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC) to identify alternative solutions that were informed by student input and more responsive to student needs.

We would like to thank the more than 1,200 members of our campus community that participated in the process, whether through participation in STAC meetings or providing feedback during the [virtual town hall on alternative solutions](#). We are also grateful for our partnership with AS, GSA and STAC, and the committed student leaders who participated in meetings throughout the summer to shape the alternatives, the engagement process, and the final outcome.

After a robust discussion, AS, GSA, and STAC leadership supported a solution that builds on Alternative B from the town hall, noting that this alternative had strong support from both undergraduate and graduate students and was rated favorably (vs. unfavorably) at a rate of two to one. Students recommended several enhancements to the plan, which TS has agreed to support, including:

- Preservation of a weekend “free lot” on the planned weekend shuttle route,
- Implementation of a “first hour free” policy for weekend hourly parking transactions in most campus parking facilities, and
- Collaboration with student government on a plan to help reduce the cost of TS event services for student organizations.

The new plan ensures that both unaffiliated and routine users of campus parking contribute to the maintenance of those facilities while the cost of [parking expansion](#) is borne primarily by those who park during the peak period.

The weekend parking program will be instituted starting Saturday, November 2, 2019. We recognize that many campus events have already been scheduled for the coming academic year and we will be working with event sponsors to smoothly transition to paid parking and mitigate impact for attendees over the course of the year. Organizations that have scheduled weekend events on or after November 2, 2019 are encouraged to contact Transportation Services’ Event Services Team at EventsParking@ucsd.edu.

Weekend Parking Program Overview

- With the exception of lot [P782](#), all campus parking on the weekend will require a UC San Diego-recognized parking permit, paystation payment, or app payment.
- Lot [P782](#) will feature free parking on Saturday and Sunday. It will be served by the Weekend Shuttle.
- Existing monthly, quarterly, and annual permit holders will not pay anything extra to park on the weekend.
- No change to Night and Weekend permit eligibility or rules for use.

- Weekends will be considered part of permit upgrade hours, meaning that all campus permits can park in regular A, B, S, and V spaces.
- The first hour for hourly parking will be free. After the first hour, parking will be priced at half the weekday hourly rate and charges will be capped after the fourth paid hour. (Regular weekday rates continue to apply on the weekend at Scripps Institution of Oceanography lots P002/003 and in patient parking spaces.)
- Students will be able to register online for 10 complimentary weekend parking days each quarter, delivered as virtual one-day permits and valid in A, B, S, and V spaces.
- Students needing additional weekend parking days will be able to purchase single day permits at the D permit daily rate.
- TS & STAC will work together to identify opportunities to mitigate event parking/transportation costs for student organizations that host weekend events. A report will be issued by the end of fall quarter.
- Transportation will review and update the weekend parking program, in consultation with STAC, following the opening of light rail (trolley) on campus.

For additional information on transportation and parking at UC San Diego, including weekend parking, visit <http://transportation.ucsd.edu>. Feedback and suggestions are welcomed anytime at TelITPS@ucsd.edu.