Parking Deficiency Fees Questions and Answers

What are Parking Deficiency Fees?

Your parking deficiency fees are spent exclusively on developing and operating downtown public parking, which serves downtown customers, employees and residents. The Downtown Parking District has been serving the public since the 1950's. All public parking lots and garages have been purchased and developed using these funds. Currently the downtown parking programs provide over 1,800 parking spaces.

How are they calculated?

Parking deficiency fees are based on the following formula:

Business Area/Parking Standard (see chart below) = Required Spaces Required Spaces - On-site spaces = Deficient Spaces Deficient Spaces x Quarterly rate (\$106.25/space) = Fee

Note: Businesses receive credit for all on-site parking spaces which are signed for customer parking and which meet Zoning Ordinance requirements.

Business Type	Parking Standard
DOCTORS/DENTISTS	1 SPACE PER 200 SQ FT. (maximum of 5 spaces per practitioner)
	1 SPACE PER 400 SQ FT. (sole practitioners w/ \leq 1,200 sq ft)
MERCANTILE/PROFESSIONAL	1 SPACE FOR EACH 400 SQ FT.
FURNITURE STORES	1 SPACE FOR EACH 800 SQ FT.
SERVICE AREAS/WAREHOUSES	1 SPACE FOR EACH 1000 SQ FT.
APTS.	1 SPACE FOR EACH FOUR UNITS (new uses call for information)

Example: $1,000 \text{ sq ft} / 400 = 2.5 = (3 \text{ required spaces} - 0 \text{ on-site spaces}) \times 106.25 = 318.75

Who pays parking deficiency fees?

Businesses operating in the Downtown Parking District on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 are billed for parking deficiency fees. A penalty is charged for all bills not paid by January 31, April 30, July 31 and October 31.

Who can I call if I have more questions?

Please call Marlin Granlund, Parking Program Manager (420-5184). We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.