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## "What You Need To Know About On-Street Parking"

LPA assumes management of on-street enforcement on January 1, 2017. At that time, all payments & disputes will be sent to the LPA, not the City Treasury Dept. All payments/appeals can be handled on-line through our website, or if you need to visit us in-person, our offices are at 30 West Orange Street (formerly the Community 1st Fund Building). There will also be a drop box in the driveway where you can provide your payment. Another change is the on street multi-space kiosks will switch from "pay by space" to "pay by license plate number". So, instead of using the space number, you will input your license plate number. (If you can't remember your license plate number, just take a cellphone picture of it.)

We will adhere to all city parking ordinances, such as *parking is enforced at meters between 8AM-6PM, Monday-Saturday*. For a full list & description of City Parking Ordinances, go to: *www.cityoflancasterpa.com* & look under Government, City Code, "Chapter 285, Articles I-X, Vehicles & Traffic." The Police will continue to boot & tow vehicles based on a number of unpaid violations. Unresolved/unpaid tickets continue to be sent to the District Justices, & City Council oversees & approves changes to parking ordinances & parking fines.

**Residential Parking Permits** (RPP) are provided in city blocks that have 75% of its residents sign a petition requesting a RPP program. The petition is then voted upon by the City Traffic Commission. Over the years, there has been an increase in the number of occupants and vehicles per home. Unfortunately, the number of on-street parking spaces in a block does not change. Thus, a permit system was put in place to improve the availability of parking spaces for residents. Stickers will no longer be issued. We will enforce using license plates.

**Street Sweeping** occurs throughout the city. Signs are posted on streets advising when sweeping will take place & when alternate side parking is required so street sweeping crews can clear the streets of debris. In order to do their job properly, street sweepers need curb lines to be clear of all vehicles. Obey the alternate side parking rules & move your vehicle.

**Parking Time Limits** at parking meters and kiosks are in areas where a high turnover of parking spaces is needed. Long term parkers should park in a LPA garage. Time limits on parking improve the chances that a customer will be able to find a street space. If vehicles were to park all day at these spaces, they would prevent potential customers from accessing parking close to the business or office where they need to visit. The length of time allowed at meters/kiosks ranges from 30 minutes to 2 hours. **Meter Feeding** monopolizes parking spaces needed by customers who are shopping, dining, and conducting short term business in Lancaster.

**Loading Zone Areas** have been designated throughout the city to reserve spaces exclusively for delivery vehicles for all businesses in that block. A 10-minute time limit is in place for delivery vehicles to perform their services. In order for businesses to be successful, they need supplies delivered in a timely fashion. Illegal parking in a loading zone often prompts delivery trucks to double park, which is illegal and interferes with the free flow of traffic. Double parking is one of the leading causes of traffic congestion. It also is a major safety issue.

Please visit us at <u>lancasterparkingauthority.com</u> to review our many programs, guidelines & regulations, & view details on valuable parking programs, such as: "Pay By Phone" at Meters, Meter/Kiosk Leasing, Snow Emergency Parking & upcoming Free Holiday Parking,

## **Customer Appreciation Days in October!**

Look for us in the garages for our annual Customer Appreciation Days. We will be set up in the mornings between October 24 - 28. Also, visit our website to take our survey and be entered to win a gift card at a local restaurant. Go to: <a href="https://www.lancasterparkingauthority.com">www.lancasterparkingauthority.com</a>

Central Garage - Monday, October 24

Prince Street - Tuesday, October 25

Penn Square - Wednesday, October 26

East King & Water Street - Thursday, October 27

Duke & North Queen Street- Friday, October 28

## Penn Square Garage - Roof Waterproofing

Summer rehabilitation repairs were conducted in many of our garages. The largest project was the roof waterproofing in the Penn Square Garage. Thank you for your patience during these



Feel free to contact our Executive Director, Larry J. Cohen, with any suggestions or comments. He can be reached at (717) 299-0907 or via e-mail at: <a href="mailto:lcohen@lancasterparkingauthority.com">lcohen@lancasterparkingauthority.com</a>. Thank you for your business and support of Lancaster City.