

COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	July 6, 2021
SUBJECT:	Time Limit and Paid Parking Enforcement (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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As the City of Hamilton navigates its ongoing response to the COVID-19 situation, Hamilton Municipal Parking System (HMPS) has continued to be responsive to community needs. With Ontario now in Step 2, HMPS will be taking steps to return to normal enforcement operations to align with the start of Step 3.

During Lockdown Measures and Stay at Home Orders, a relaxed approach for Time Limit Enforcement inclusive of One, Two, Three-hour etc. posted on-street regulations have been strictly complaint based. The City-wide General Prohibition Regulation of the 12-hour time limit for vehicle parking had a focus on safety concerns and inoperable vehicles only. In addition to this, there has been a grace period provided at paid parking spaces (on-street meters and City-owned lots) to assist with "curb side business" and short-term needs.

Since May 1, 2021, HMPS has already received over 400 Requests for Time Limit Enforcement and issued over 2,500 Parking Penalty Notices for paid parking infractions. It is clear, parking activity and parking needs are increasing in neighbourhoods and business areas.

Residents that may have new needs (i.e. remote work/telecommuting) living within Time Limit Areas can obtain Time Limit Exemption Permits. With the launch of the Passport Parking App, paying for on-street or in a Municipal Carpark is easier and more convenient than ever. As our City and business community continues to reopen, a return to routine paid parking and enforcement will support residents, businesses, and neighbourhoods.

Empowered Employees.

If you have any questions regarding this communication, please contact James Buffett, Manager of Parking Enforcement and School Safety at Ext. 3177 or via email james.buffett@hamilton.ca.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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