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Community Discussion on April 24: Paid Street Parking Downtown

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – In support of local shopping and dining, the City of Glenwood Springs has been studying parking needs and challenges in our downtown corridor. In this area, there is often a shortage of on-street parking spaces, as the time-limited free parking downtown has proven to be inadequate in managing the city's parking inventory efficiently. When drivers are unable to find a parking spot, they tend to circle around, adding to congestion, air pollution, and distracted driving.

To help facilitate turnover in the parking spaces closest to downtown businesses, the City is considering implementing a fee for on-street parking in the downtown area. Initially, there will be a trial to determine feasibility and to gather further public input. The trial would involve the installation of multi-space pay stations on several blocks. Longer-term parkers and those wishing to park for free will continue to have access to free public parking at any of the 24-hour lots located a few blocks further from their intended destination. This will leave the more desirable parking locations available for shorter-term parkers and those more concerned with convenience than cost.

The City wants to know how residents feel about parking meters or pay stations being installed

Downtown. The community meeting will cover topics, such as:

- Why the City is interested in pursuing paid parking
- Available technology options and costs
- Possible locations for a pilot program

What: Public Meeting on Implementing Paid Street Parking Downtown
Format – Brief presentation followed by discussion

Date: Monday, April 24, 2017

Time: 6:00 – 8 p.m.

Location: Glenwood Springs City Hall – Council Chambers
101 West 8th Street

City staff will be available to answer questions and to listen.

For questions or concerns, please contact Patrick Fleming at patrick.fleming@cogs.us or 970-384-6444.

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