

VISITOR LOT RATE CHANGES



**\$3 FIRST HOUR
\$2 EVERY HOUR THEREAFTER**

At last spring's public hearing on parking policies and budget, points were made that:

- Visitors Lot rates have not been raised since 2000-01 and have not kept up with permit increases though costs to the overall parking program continued to climb. With permit prices increasing vs. no change in Visitors' lot charges it was clear that the visitors lot to many MSU students and employees became more attractive than buying a permit.
- Visitors, who have only one option to park, were effectively being denied access to the visitors' lot by MSU students and staff who elected not to buy a permit. Many of those MSU people were using the visitors' lot daily, not just once or twice a week.
- Core campus parking can only be enhanced with the construction of a parking garage (a.k.a. ramp). A dedicated reserve needs to be enriched for parking capacity enhancement (a.k.a. parking ramp, or land purchases for surface stalls). The cost of a 500 stall ramp to replace the existing 196 stall visitor lot, will be about \$18,000 a stall. It will take us a few years to position ourselves to address more than \$9 million construction costs.

Value Comparisons	\$230 Value of Gold Permit =	\$130 Value of Purple Permit =	\$94 Value of Orange Permit =
Parking Permit Advantage	240 Days in a Permit Lot	160 Days in a Permit Lot	160 Days in a Permit Lot
Visitors Lot at \$5 for 2 hr. Average	46 Visitor Lot Stays	26 Visitor Lot Stays	19 Visitor Lot Stays
Last year's Visitors Lot stay at \$3 for 2 hr. Average	76 Visitor Lot Stays	48 Visitor Lot Stays	31 Visitor Lot Stays

Lot 21 Paybox Option: If you don't want to buy a permit or pay the new paylot prices, please use the paybox in Lot 21 which takes only quarters but gives you a \$1 per hour value. The free lot (Lot 23) is always available as well.

- The fine for parking illegally in Gold Permit stalls has been raised from \$15 to \$25.

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