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OVERVIEW			
PRESENTATION NAME	Amendment of Board Approved Parking Policy to Implement 24/7 Non-Rider Revenue Collection	DOCUMENT NO.	300091
ACTION OR INFORMATION	Action		
STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION PLAN GOAL	Service excellence; Financial Stewardship and Resource Management;		
RESOLUTION	No		
EXECUTIVE OWNER			
EXECUTIVE TEAM OWNER	Webster, Thomas J.;		
ORGANIZATION	Finance		
DOCUMENT INITIATOR	Macpherson HughesCromwick		
OTHER INFORMATION			
COMMITTEE	Board Meeting (Consent)	COMMITTEE DATE	1/29/2026
PURPOSE/KEY HIGHLIGHTS	<p>To seek approval of a consent agenda item amending the Comprehensive Parking Policy (Resolution 2018-53) to authorize the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer (GM & CEO) to expand revenue collection hours for Transit Riders and non-riders up to 24 hours a day and seven days a week at all Authority owned parking facilities.</p> <p>Staff also seek approval to update the parking policy to facilitate implementing parking fee waivers for emergencies, planned events (e.g. Fourth of July), and station shutdowns. This change would increase efficiency and reduce administrative burdens for actions that are routinely approved today.</p>		



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DISCUSSION	<p>Metro is working to modernize its parking systems, operations, and technology. Currently, customers are charged upon exiting a daily Park and Ride facility during the following hours (except for federal holidays):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.<input type="checkbox"/> Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 a.m. <p>At all other times, parking gates are raised, and fees are not collected (except for special events) for both Metro riders and non-riders.</p> <p>Amending the parking policy to collect non-rider fees at all times will allow for more comprehensive and accurate data on parking activity and increase revenue. Metro also believes that keeping gates closed and collecting fees from non-riders 24/7 will enhance the safety and security of customers and their vehicles.</p> <p>This action will not affect Metro riders who tap their SmarTrip Card. When exiting after Metrorail service ends or on weekends and holidays, riders will not be charged, while non-riders will pay the daily rider fee or non-rider fee where applicable.</p>
INTERESTED PARTIES	None
RECOMMENDATION/NEXT STEPS	<p>Staff recommend approval of amending the Board approved parking policy to implement 24/7 non-rider revenue collection. Next steps include initiating the process of validating, testing, and deploying system upgrades to enable changes in revenue collection, completing installation of License Plate Recognition technology at New Carrollton in Spring 2026, and installing Tap. Ride. Go. readers at all parking facilities by the end of calendar 2026.</p>
FUNDING IMPACT	Increase in revenue associated with the additional collection of non-rider parking fees.

PRESENTED AND ADOPTED: January 29, 2026

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO PARKING POLICY

2026-03

RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Compact Section 60, the Board of Directors has sole and exclusive jurisdiction over the rates and fares to be charged for service performed by transit facilities owned or controlled by WMATA; and

WHEREAS, In Resolution 2018-53, the Board adopted WMATA's Parking Policy shown as Attachment A to that resolution ("Parking Policy"), which among other things delegated to the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer the authority to apply parking rates within the ranges established by the Board in the Parking Policy, and reserved to the Board the authority to approve amendments and deviations from the Parking Policy; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends amending Parking Policy Section 404 to allow the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer the authority to expand revenue collection hours for the collection of non-rider fees to 24 hours a day, seven days a week;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors adopts the following changes to the Parking Policy Sections 404 (a) and 404 (b) of the Parking Policy is amended and restated as follows:
New Section 404

The Board authorizes the GM & CEO to establish Revenue Collection hours for Transit Riders and for non-riders up to or any portion of 24 hours a day and seven days a week at Authority owned parking facilities. In the event of an emergency or planned event that requires either 1) the cessation of service at one or more Metro Stations or 2) the cessation of fare collection at a Metro Station or throughout the System, the GM & CEO shall have the option to not collect parking fees at Park & Ride, Kiss & Ride, and Hourly parking facilities during those times.

and be it finally

Motioned by Ms. Santos, seconded by Mr. McAndrew

Ayes: 7- Ms. Santos, Mr. McAndrew, Mr. Alcorn, Ms. Rai, Dr. Hadden Loh, Ms. Weber and Mr. Flowers

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective 30 days after adoption in accordance with Compact Section 8(b).

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,



Patricia Y. Lee
Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer
and General Counsel

WMATA File Structure No.:
12.8.2 Parking Fees and Fee Collection