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PAID PARKING CHANGES FOR CAROLINA BEACH IN 2022

Carolina Beach, NC - Changes are coming in 2022 to the Carolina Beach paid parking program. Listed below is detailed information explaining the updated costs, regulations, and effective dates related to the approved changes:

- **Digital Parking Passes:**
 - The Town will use a License Plate Recognition (LPR) system to identify resident, property owner, and business owner/employee vehicles that are registered with the town and have paid for an annual parking pass. The annual parking pass will be digital; stickers/decals will no longer be used.
- **Sales begin January 10, 2022:**
 - Annual digital parking passes will go on sale January 10, 2022. They may be purchased in person at the Carolina Beach parking office, Town Hall, or online.
- **Who can purchase an annual parking pass?**
 - All Carolina Beach permanent residents, property owners, and business owners may purchase annual digital parking passes for \$40 each. Vehicle registration and proof of ownership or residency is required (tax bill, lease copy, or utility bill with Carolina Beach address)
 - Non-residents are no longer eligible to purchase annual parking passes
- **How many annual parking passes can I buy?**
 - **Full time residents and property/business owners** may purchase an annual parking pass for each vehicle they own that is registered in Carolina Beach.
 - **Property owners that are not full time residents** may purchase one annual parking pass for each listed property owner. For example, Bob and Judy Smith live in Clayton, NC and own property in Carolina Beach. Both of their names are listed on the tax bill/deed as owners of the CB property. Each owns a vehicle registered in their name in Clayton, NC. Both Bob and Judy can purchase an annual parking permit for their vehicle.
 - **Business Owner for business employees**-Annual parking passes will no longer be sold to CB business employees; business owners will have the option to purchase annual parking passes for their employees and make changes at no cost to each pass as needed with turnover.

- **Year Round Paid Parking/Rates:**
 - Effective March 1, 2022, year round paid parking begins. Rates for public parking lots and metered spaces are as follows:
 - March 1-October 31.....8AM-8PM.....\$5/hour or \$25/day
 - November 1-February 289AM-5PM.....\$2/hour or \$10/day

- **Non-resident/visitor weekly passes:**
 - Non-residents/visitors may purchase digital weekly parking passes for \$100 each

- **Parking Violation Fees:**
 - \$100 charge for parking citation
 - If not paid within 5 days, an additional \$50 penalty will be added making total due \$150
 - If not paid within 10 days, an additional \$50 penalty will be added making total due \$200

- **Re-entry decals:**
 - Available to all permanent residents and property/business owners at no cost through March 31st. There will be a \$20 fee for re-entry decals obtained after March 31st. Vehicle registration and proof of ownership or residency is required (tax bill, lease copy, or utility bill with Carolina Beach address). Available January 10, 2022 and may be obtained at the Carolina Beach parking office, Town Hall, or requested online.

- **Golf Cart/Low Speed Vehicle (LSV) Permits:**
 - **May be purchased** at the Carolina Beach parking office, Town Hall, or online.
 - **Residents and property/business owners** may purchase golf cart permits for \$60 each
 - **Residents and property/business owners** may purchase LSV permits for \$40 each
 - **Non-residents** may purchase LSV permits for \$100
 - **Non-residents** are not eligible to purchase golf cart permits

If you have any questions, please contact the Carolina Beach parking office at (910) 458-4614, or Town Hall at (910) 458-2999.

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