

RESIDENT PARKING DISCOUNT ALTERNATIVES

Currently:

Parkmobile - Miami Beach residents may register with Parkmobile, the City's alternative payment (mobile phone/smart phone) provider. Residents receive up to a 75% discount on parking fees and transaction fees are waived.

Proposed Alternatives:

1. Parking Pay Stations - T2 is the City's parking pay station provider. Pay stations are configured in a pay-by-plate mode, requiring the user to input their vehicle license plate. T2's Research and Development (R&D) team is scheduled to develop a software enhancement that will recognize user license plates in a database. This will enhance enforcement of maximum time limits by restricting payments for extensions of time beyond those permitted. This functionality may be further developed to deploy a resident parking discount based on the vehicle license plate similar to functionality of Parkmobile. This software development is scheduled for 2019/2020.
2. Major phone carriers have an option to provide a free mobile phone for individuals who qualify based on their income level. A free mobile phone with 350 minutes of talk time, 500 MG of data, and unlimited text messaging is provided.*
3. Offer a limited quantity (100) virtual citywide parking permits at an annual rate of \$250, equal to 250 hours of parking (\$1.00 per hour) or 4.8 hours weekly to residents with no cell phone/smart phone. Once at capacity, requests will be placed on waiting lists and fulfilled based on availability.*

**Either or both provisions could sunset upon deployment of the T2 software upgrade. It is important to note Option 3 has an element of exposure to fraud/abuse as it is difficult, if not impossible, to confirm an applicant does not already have a mobile/smartphone.*