

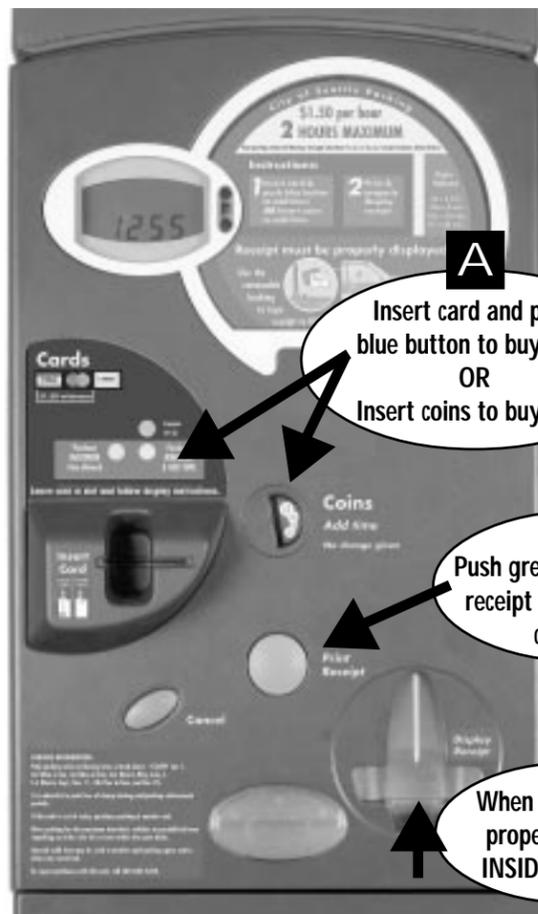
How to Use Pay Stations

1 Look for these signs on blocks with pay stations

Wherever a City block has one or more pay stations, signs at each end of the block direct users to "Pay to Park" with an arrow pointing towards the pay station. Above each pay station another sign points to the machine and directs users to "Pay Here to Park."



2 Use the pay station to purchase parking



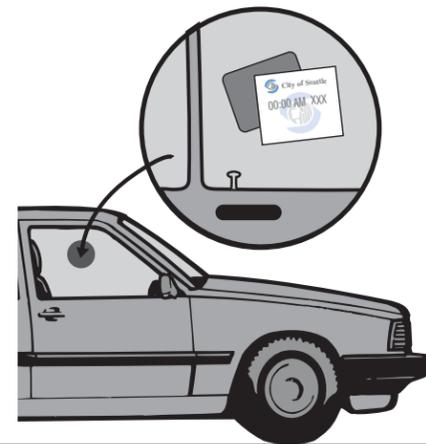
A Insert card and push blue button to buy time OR Insert coins to buy time

B Push green button to print receipt and then remove credit card

C When receipt prints, properly display it INSIDE car window

3 Display the receipt properly

The pay station will print a receipt that has a removable backing. Peel off the back and use it to tape the receipt to the inside of the curbside window. For angled parking, use the side window on the driver's side. Be sure that the expiration time is facing out!



4 Take unexpired time with you to another parking space

Until the time on the receipt expires, park at any other parking meter or pay station space in Seattle! Regardless of expiration time,



Parking Pay Stations:

New parking technology arrives in Seattle business districts

In April 2004, the City of Seattle launched a three-year program to replace the majority of the City's aging single-space parking meters. Almost 500 pay stations will be installed in 2004. At the end of 2006, up to 1,600 pay stations will have replaced most of the City's 9,000 existing meters.

What is a pay station?

- Automated kiosk replacing multiple parking meters on a block
- Accepts coins, credit/debit and smart cards
- Provides customer receipts
- Allows customer to use unexpired time at another location
- Can communicate in English, Chinese and Spanish

What are the benefits of pay stations?

- Improved customer payment convenience
- Ability to use unexpired time at another metered or pay station space
- Better predictability for drivers with standardized parking layout and simple signage
- Greater reliability – less out-of-service time, better parking data
- Increased parking turnover

When and where will they arrive?

	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Pioneer Square	█	█							
Chandler's Cove			█	█					
The Waterfront			█	█					
Downtown Financial & Government District					█	█			
Downtown Retail District						█	█		
Capitol Hill							█		
Pike-Pine							█		
First Hill								█	█

What changes come with pay stations?

- Fewer people seeking change for bills, as the need to carry lots of coins disappears
- More parking turnover means more customers
- Enhanced streetscape and more sidewalk space
- Loading zones and short-term parking spaces are occasionally relocated or removed
- Seamless conversion with limited loss of parking during installation
- Merchant information materials and on-street "meter greeters" ease transition for customers
- On-street bike racks to replace lost "informal" parking at meters
- Future potential to support merchant validation programs

What about the parking rate increase?

- Rates have been increased from \$1 to \$1.50 per hour for pay stations and electronic meters. This rate is still much lower than off-street parking in Downtown Seattle
- It is the first increase in on-street parking rates in ten years and is consistent with inflation over that time



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For more information and progress updates:

Visit <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/parking/paystation.htm>

Contact 206.684.ROAD or paystations@seattle.gov

What to Expect With Pay Stations on First Hill

When will pay stations come to First Hill?

Starting the first week of November 2004, pay stations will replace the aging single-space meters on First Hill. Additionally, other streets in First Hill that are not metered or in a restricted parking zone are currently under study. Pay stations will be installed on those blocks with appropriate characteristics for paid parking.

If SDOT determines that paid parking should be installed in the areas under study, those pay stations will be installed at a later time. Affected businesses on those streets will be notified directly.

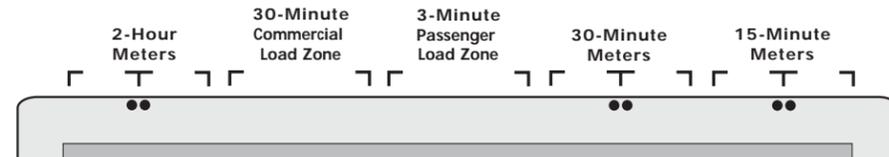
In the weeks after installation, look for "meter greeters" on the sidewalks, offering assistance to customers and visitors using the new pay stations.

What other changes can be expected?

To make on-street parking easier for all users, and to minimize walking distances to pay stations, the installation process is a great opportunity to redesign and standardize parking layouts along most blocks.

This example shows a typical Seattle block before and after a standardized layout was applied and a pay station installed.

Before Block Standardization



What is a standardized block face?

On a standardized block face:

- At least 3 to 4 paid spaces (30-minute and 2-hour) are grouped together to be regulated by a pay station
- Most 15- and 30-minute meters are converted to 30-minute pay station spaces
- Each 30-minute space is marked with signs
- Load zones are moved to block ends to improve access by vehicles and delivery trucks
- Depending upon the adjacent land use (e.g., apartment building), some mid-block load zones remain unchanged
- Peak period restrictions, bus zones and no-parking zones remain the same

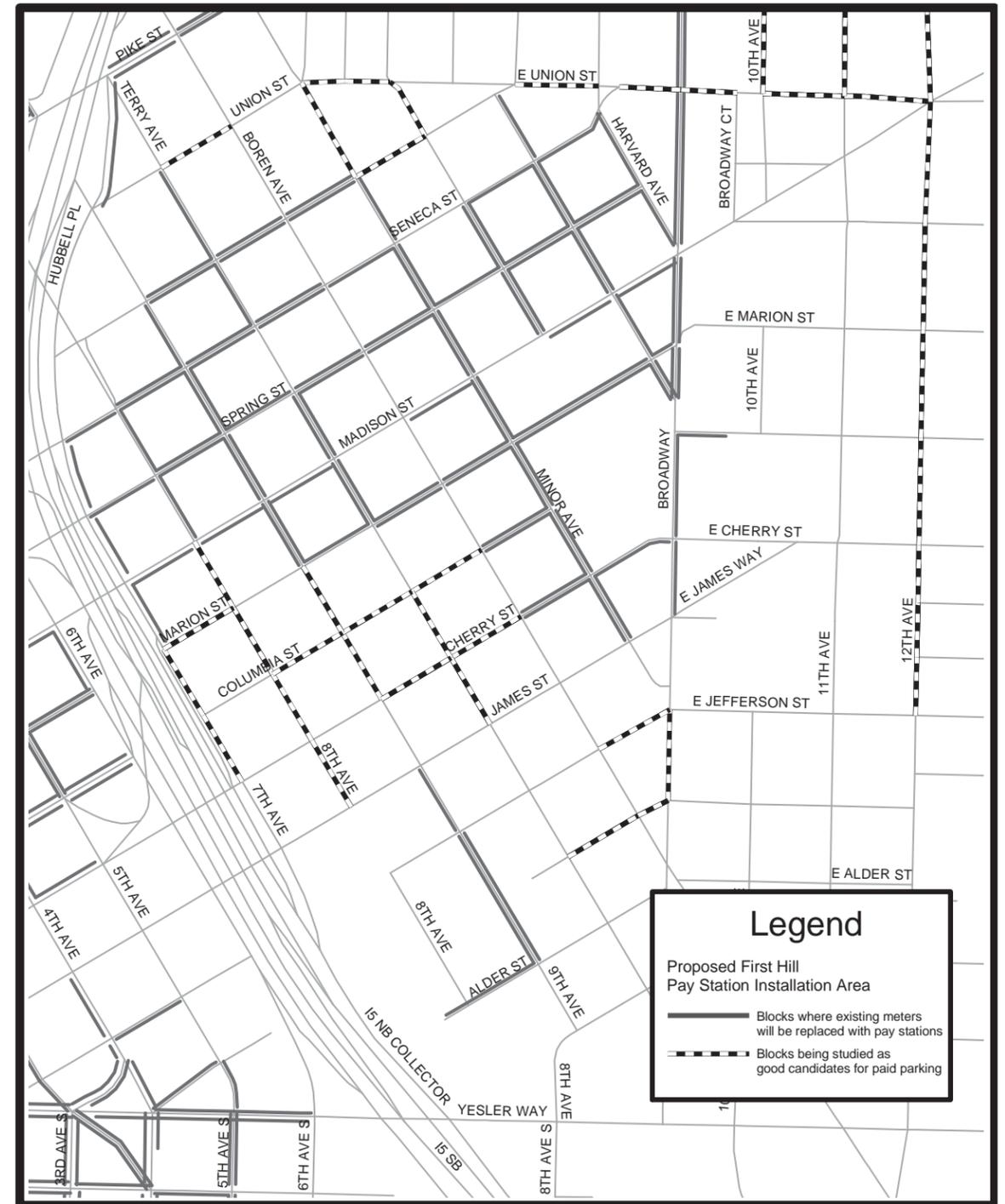
What characteristics determine where paid parking would be of benefit to a business district?

- Businesses or services needing good turnover in parking
- A relatively dense business base
- Heavily used, existing time-limited parking
- Limited or costly off-street parking
- Areas with curbs and sidewalks
- Little likelihood of customers choosing neighborhood parking over metered parking
- Community support

After Block Standardization



Planned and Proposed Pay Station Installation on First Hill



How will businesses, owners, tenants and users know if their block is changing?

For questions about a specific block, please contact Meghan Shepard at 206-684-4208 or meghan.shepard@seattle.gov.

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