

Concordia Parking Services partners with Precise Parklink

Effective August 31, 2015, Precise Parklink West Ltd. has been contracted to expand their management responsibility to include parking lot enforcement, administration of parking pass, and permit distribution on the Concordia campus.

The Precise Parklink group has been managing parking meters on the Concordia campus for a number of years. The expended responsibility will greatly enhance services for people parking on the Concordia campus, as well as assist internal administration of parking services.

What does this mean for faculty, staff, and reserved stall holders?

Initially, not too much will change, except that it becomes extremely important that faculty, staff, and students to display their parking permits (hang tags) at all times in their vehicles when parked on campus. Parking rates remain unchanged.

In a few weeks you will see changes. You will notice new parking machines that can easily accept credit cards, and keep parking records by tracking licence plate. With these machines people will not need to run back to their cars with a parking permit. You will also see new signage in the parking lot with directions for payment of parking.

An app for mobile devices will allow visitors to pay for parking online. No need to walk to a parking machine to purchase a ticket.

New signage will be placed on all reserved stalls as shown below.



What about parking passes for guest lecturers, VIP's etc.?

If you need a parking pass for someone all you need to do is call the parking services office, and give them a license plate number of the visiting vehicle. Once the license plate is registered the vehicle will be able to park in the Concordia lot for a specified time.

Why the change?

The new system simplifies parking by providing more payment and validation options for users. It also greatly simplifies administration of parking for Concordia.

- ◆ Two of the old pay and permit machines remain. These will accept cash and credit card payments.
- ◆ Two new permit machines will be installed with validation by license plate registration. These will also accept coin or credit card payment. Running back to your car to place your permit on the dash will be a thing of the past.
- ◆ Pay by phone. By downloading the Android or iPhone app users will be able to pay with their cell phones. For added convenience the application can be set to remind you when your time is about to run out. You can add time at the click of a button without leaving your seat.
- ◆ Once the change is fully implemented monthly parking passes will no longer be needed inside the vehicle. Parking pass holders will be able to register the license number of their vehicle(s) to confirm purchase of parking passes.

These changes will occur over the next three weeks. We look forward to serving you better with the improvement to parking service on the Concordia campus.