

**VII. STANDING COMMITTEES****B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee**UW Seattle Parking and U-PASS Rate RevisionsRECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee that the Board of Regents adopt the attached “Seattle Campus Parking and U-PASS Fee Schedule” effective July 1, 2008.

BACKGROUND:

The University transportation system has expenditures that include transit contracts, parking system operational expenses, other transportation management expenses, debt service, and capital projects. The program is funded with U-PASS fees, parking fees, and central sources. In May 2004, the Board of Regents approved a transportation fee schedule with increases in 2005 and 2006. No increase was sought for 2007. The current fees are insufficient to continue to fund current and projected expenditures.

A proposal to change parking and U-PASS fees was reviewed over the winter and endorsed by the University Transportation Committee – an advisory committee of students, faculty, staff, and key operational stakeholders – and was reviewed by the leadership of the ASUW and GPSS, along with the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.

A public hearing was held on April 9, 2008, by Joshua Kavanagh, designated hearing officer, to accept testimony on the proposed parking and U-PASS fee schedules. Notices of the public hearing were published in the University of Washington’s *University Week* and *Daily*. Interested parties were invited to contribute written and oral comments at the hearing and via the Commuter Services website.

Incorporating input from the public hearing, the attached proposal for parking and U-PASS fees was prepared. The proposed fee schedule includes an average increase of 12% in parking rates and 13% in U-PASS rates, equivalent to 5.8% and 6.3% annually since the last increase.

Parking fees for the University of Washington campuses at Bothell and Tacoma are maintained separately from the Seattle campus.

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Several factors have contributed to these parking and UPASS fee increases and are described below. The modesty of these fee increases, as compared to the cost increases, will require a \$2M draw against Commuter Services operating reserves.

Maintenance and Operations: On November 19, 2007, the King County Council approved a 2008 budget that included an average 17% increase in transit rates. This was the first such increase in six years and will directly affect the cost per boarding for the U-PASS program beginning July 1, 2008. The effect of the increased boarding cost is compounded by record transit utilization due to exceptionally high fuel prices. Negotiations are also under way to expand the U-PASS program to include three additional transit agencies to better meet the needs of those individuals who live farthest from campus and are most affected by fuel prices. It is also worth noting that significant volatility in the price of key parking and transportation system inputs (concrete, steel, asphalt, & fuel) have combined with increasing labor rates to further drive higher costs for parking and transportation maintenance and operations.

Taxes: On July 1, 2007, a new 5% City of Seattle tax on parking transactions went into effect. The tax rate will increase to 7.5% on July 1, 2008, and will plateau at 10% on July 1, 2009. This tax on individual parkers has been absorbed by the University as our parking rates have been historically structured as inclusive of taxes and fees. In addition, King County's sales tax rate has increased by 0.2% since the last parking rate increase. During the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the effective tax rate on parking will be 16%.

Debt Service: Transportation Services has experienced significant increases in other cost categories as well. New debt in excess of \$7.5M has been incurred related to the acquisition and rehabilitation of the University of Washington Tower parking garages. Additional new and existing debt has incurred/utilized to finance the construction of the West Campus Garage expansion, a critical project for mitigation of Sound Transit construction impacts and facilitation of further west campus development, including construction of new student housing.

The U-PASS program is the cornerstone of the University's transportation demand management program and is the primary means of meeting the University's obligations to limit both parking and trips to campus under the Seattle Campus Master Plan (2003). The U-PASS program has reduced automobile trips to campus, decreased traffic congestion, and provided significant increases in transit service to all three campuses. As a result, the program has decreased the University's need to build parking structures on the Seattle Campus

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to replace parking lost to new development and to accommodate University growth.

REVIEW AND APPROVALS:

The proposal has been reviewed and approved by the Senior Vice President of Finance and Facilities and by University Transportation Committee.

Attachment: UW Seattle Campus Parking and U-PASS Fee Schedule



## U-PASS

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Student U-PASS	Quarter	\$44.00	\$50.00	\$6/quarter	13.64%	6.60%
Faculty Staff U-PASS	Quarter	\$61.80	\$70.00	\$1.37/check	13.27%	6.43%
U-PASS fee for students who withdraw	Quarter	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Student U-PASS Replacement – after first week of quarter	Incident	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Faculty Staff First U-PASS Replacement, one quarter	Incident	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Faculty Staff First U-PASS Replacement, additional quarters	Incident	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Faculty Staff Second U-PASS Replacement, one quarter	Incident	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Faculty Staff Second U-PASS Replacement, additional quarters	Incident	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%

## Annual Permits

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Single Occupancy Vehicle (SOV) (includes U-PASS)	Quarter	\$254.76	\$285.00	\$5.04/check	11.87%	5.77%
Carpool (2 or 3 person) per vehicle (requires U-PASS)	Quarter	\$54.00	\$61.20	\$1.20/check	13.33%	6.46%
Night Permits (4:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to noon)	Quarter	\$78.00	\$95.00	\$2.83/check	21.79%	10.36%
Swing Permits (2:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to noon)	Quarter	\$127.38	\$140.00	\$2.10/check	9.91%	4.84%
Assigned [Managed] Space e.g., <i>Roosevelt Commons</i>	Quarter	\$254.76	\$285.00	\$5.04/check	11.87%	5.77%
Reserved Space (includes U-PASS)	Quarter	\$509.52	\$570.00	\$10.08/check	11.87%	5.77%
Motorcycles, Scooters and Mopeds (includes U-PASS)	Quarter	\$84.96	\$95.00	\$1.67/check	11.82%	5.74%
Retiree < 40% FTE (includes U-PASS)	Quarter	\$101.94	\$115.00	\$2.18/check	12.81%	6.21%

## Commuter Tickets

Product	Unit	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Individual Commuter Tickets (ICT)	Each	\$5.20	\$6.00	\$0.80/ticket	15.38%	7.42%
Faculty/Staff ICTs requires U-PASS	Each	\$3.06	\$3.50	\$0.44/ticket	14.38%	6.95%
Departmental Commuter Tickets (for guests)*	Each	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1/ticket	9.09%	4.45%
Night Dept Commuter Tickets (for guests)*	Each	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$1/ticket	20.00%	9.54%
VIP Departmental Visitor (in 5 Ticket Booklet)*	Each	\$33.00	\$40.00	\$1.40/ticket	21.21%	10.10%
President's Club Permits	Each	\$5.20	\$6.00	\$0.80/ticket	15.38%	7.42%

\* 10% fee for Tickets returned for refund

## Pay per Use - UW Faculty, Staff & Affiliates only

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Individual with U-PASS parking up to 4 days a pay period	Day	\$3.06	\$3.50	\$0.44/day	14.38%	6.95%
Individual with U-PASS parking more than 4 days a pay period	Day	\$4.25	\$4.75	\$0.50/day	11.76%	5.72%
Individual without U-PASS parking up to 8 days a pay period	Day	\$4.25	\$4.75	\$0.50/day	11.76%	5.72%
Individual without U-PASS parking over 8 days per pay period	Day	\$4.63	\$5.50	\$0.87/day	18.79%	8.99%
Carpool per vehicle - requires U-PASSes	Day	\$0.90	\$1.02	\$0.12/day	13.33%	6.46%

## Special Designators

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Department Out of Area	Annual	\$65.00	\$75.00	\$0.42/check	15.38%	7.42%
"UL" Universal Limited Designator	Annual	\$71.81	\$80.00	\$0.34/check	11.41%	5.55%
"U" Universal Designator	Annual	\$97.20	\$110.00	\$0.53/check	13.17%	6.38%
"S" Service Designator	Annual	\$199.92	\$225.00	\$1.05/check	12.55%	6.09%

## Short Term Permits

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Daytime - University Community*	Day	\$4.25	\$4.75	\$0.50/day	11.76%	5.72%
Evening - University Community*	Day	\$1.30	\$1.50	\$0.20/day	15.38%	7.42%
Daytime - Visitors	Day	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1/day	9.09%	4.45%
Evening - Visitors	Day	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$1/day	20.00%	9.54%

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### Campus Gatehouse Issued Permits (Including Triangle Garage & Surgery Pavilion)

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
<b>Entering between 6am and 4pm weekdays</b>						
0-30 minutes	Visit	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
30 minutes to 1 hour	Visit	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
over 1 hour to 2 hours	Visit	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
over 2 hours to 3 hours	Visit	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
over 3 hours to 4 hours	Visit	\$10.00	\$11.00	\$1	10.00%	4.88%
over 4 hours	Visit	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1	9.09%	4.45%
<b>Entering from 4pm- 9pm weekdays or from 7am-12pm Saturdays (General Facilities)</b>						
0-30 minutes	Visit	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
30 minutes to 1 hour	Visit	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
over 1 hour	Visit	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$1	20.00%	9.54%
after 8 pm weekdays & 11am Saturdays - no refunds	Visit	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Entering from 4pm- 9pm weekdays or from 7am-12pm Saturdays (Central Plaza Garage)</b>						
0-30 minutes	Visit	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
30 minutes to 1 hour	Visit	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
over 1 hour to 2 hours	Visit	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$1	20.00%	9.54%
over 1 hour to 2 hours	Visit	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$3	60.00%	26.49%
after 8 pm weekdays & 11am Saturdays - no refunds	Visit	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Carpool, 2+ person, per car, Husky Card debit</b>	Day	\$0.90	\$1.02	\$0.12	13.33%	6.46%
<b>Motorcycle</b>	Day	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Night Extension (valid only w/night permit)</b>						
3:30 - 4:00 p.m. entrance time	Day	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
3:00 - 3:30 p.m. entrance time	Day	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
2:30 - 3:00 p.m. entrance time	Day	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Parking Card Permit (billed to UW department)</b>						
Daytime entrance	Day	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1	9.09%	4.45%
Evening/Weekend entrance	Day	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$1	20.00%	9.54%
<b>Controlled Access Facility Fees</b>						
<b>Lost Ticket</b>	Incident	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1	9.09%	4.45%
<b>In/Out Privileges Card (only with validation)</b>	Day	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1	9.09%	4.45%

### Events (non-athletic, parking west of Montlake)

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Day	Day	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$1/event	9.09%	4.45%
Evening (Central Plaza Garage)	Day	\$11.00	\$8.00	-\$3/event	-27.03%	-14.58%
Evening (General Facilities)	Day	\$11.00	\$8.00	-\$3/event	-27.03%	-14.58%
Evening (3 or more persons)	Day	\$11.00	\$6.00	-\$5/event	-45.45%	-26.15%

### Mechanically Issued Fees

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Lot E1, Husky Card debit	Day	\$2.78	\$3.00	\$0.22/day	7.91%	3.88%
Lot E1, Cash	Day	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$1/day	20.00%	9.54%
Lot E1 Carpool, per vehicle, Husky Card debit, U-PASS required	Day	\$0.70	\$0.80	\$0.10/day	14.29%	6.91%
Parking Meters	Hour	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Lot E4 Permit Dispenser	Day	\$2.50	\$3.00	\$0.50/day	20.00%	9.54%
Tubby Graves/IMA Permit Dispenser	Hour	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
West Campus Evening Permit Dispensers	Day	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$1/day	25.00%	11.80%
Pay by Space - Daytime - 30 minute limit	Hour	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%

### Miscellaneous Fees

Product	Unit	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
UW Parking Card Replacement Fee	Each	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
First Replacement Permit Fee	Each	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$5	33.33%	15.47%
Second Replacement Permit Fee	Each	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$5	20.00%	9.54%
Validation Coupons Handling Fee	Each	\$0.12	\$0.15	\$0.03	25.00%	11.80%

### Bike Locker Fees

Product	Term	Effective price before 7/1/08	Effective price after 7/1/08	Change per Purchase	Total % Change	Annualized % Change
Key Deposit	Indefinite	\$50.00	\$80.00	\$30/locker	60.00%	26.49%
Locker Rental (annual)	Year	\$65.00	\$70.00	\$5/year	7.69%	3.77%