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### **New Commuter Lot at Haney Transit Loop Opens Wednesday**

**Maple Ridge, BC:** On Wednesday, August 19 the new 128 stall commuter parking lot, located adjacent to the Haney Transit Loop, will open to the public.

“Council is responding to demands for parking as a result of the success of the recently introduced R3 Rapid Bus. Demand decreased since the onset of COVID-19 but will no doubt return,” said Mayor Morden. “As a short-term measure, given the demands of growth and a limited supply, Council made the best decision possible by leasing property and making adjustments to ten-year old fees, as being the lowest cost option and best route to manage demand. In the long-term Council has committed to a comprehensive strategy for the downtown.”

Citizens will be able to buy \$4 daily or \$60 28-day passes from the kiosk located at the corner of 119 Avenue and 226 Street. Stalls will be tracked using vehicle license plate numbers so there is no requirement to display a receipt once the pass is purchased.

With the opening of the new lot, parking along the south side of the lot on 119 Avenue has been reconfigured to parallel parking and is now limited to a time duration, consistent with other on-street parking in the area. ‘No Parking’ regulations along the laneway between McIntosh Avenue and 226 Street on the north side of the lot will be actively enforced as part of regular Town Centre parking patrols. The City will take an educational approach for the first couple of weeks as citizens become accustomed to the changes. In addition to the pay parking, there are also 100 spots available within a four minute walk of City Hall that offer free parking for one and two hour durations, including the surface lot near the library.

## **Background Information:**

### **Rates for New Commuter Lot:**

**All Days:** \$4 per day or \$60 per 28 day period. Make the selection for the duration of your parking pass as one of the menu choices at the kiosk located at the corner of 119 Avenue and 226 Street. Parking is registered by vehicle license plate number.

### **Rates for Underground Parking and Surface Lot Adjacent to Haney Place Mall:**

**Monday to Friday:** \$1.00 per hour from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm (no hour free). \$3.00 evening rate from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm.

**Saturday, Sunday & Statutory Holidays:** First hour of parking is free (users need to register their license plate). Additional hours of parking are \$1.00 or a daily rate of \$4.00