

ADDITIONAL E-MAIL COMMENTS ON PROPOSED PARKING RATE CHANGES,  
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**Sent:** Friday, March 09, 2012 2:33 PM  
**To:** Parking  
**Subject:** Comments on rate increases

To whom this concerns,

I am sorry that this is late but hope that it can be added to the record. Working two jobs with two kids makes life fairly hectic. I apologize for my tardiness.

Capitol North Ramp rate increase from \$ 0.80 to \$1.10 is more than a 25% increase. This seems quite extravagant to me, but thank you for warning me that there are more increases to come. It will give me time to go out and get a third job.

Sorry for the sarcasm, but I am just getting by. Sorry, that was a lie, I am getting further and further into debt.

I am sure my property taxes will be commensurately lowered reflective of the lower assessed value of my home.

If it is not obvious I think these increases should be drastically lowered.

You can not tax (fee increase) your way to prosperity, and you can not spend your way out of debt.

Cut (quit) spending. Government can not be all things to all people.

Thank you for your time.

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**Subject:** Proposed Parking Rate Increases at City Lots

My name is Tim Rupinski and I am a state employee working in the downtown area.

Please do not increase the parking rates for state employees at city lots. As you know, state employees have taken cuts in total compensation under the current administration as our salaries have been reduced to pay for a greater share of health and pension benefits. It was announced that pension benefits are also being reduced by 7%. In addition, we cannot negotiate increases in real wages due to changes in state laws affecting collective bargaining. At the same time, politicians in the state capitol receive free parking in state office buildings. In solidarity with state workers, please do not increase our parking rates!

Thank you.

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**To:** Parking  
**Subject:** HIGHEST RATES

To increase the parking rates the most at the ramp used by already downsized and pay gutted state employees is an insult//I am not sure what the objective is but parking is down in all the ramps and it is not our fault. We can't absorb that much of an increase when some of us qualify for aid. This is the city of Madison being very clueless about those of us hard hit by the TOOLS!! Take a good look at the cars in that ramp vs Gov North//our cars show age and neglect. You can't squeeze blood from a state worker right?