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### **High Tech Parking Hits Downtown**

City's New Pay & Display Parking Meters Go Live Monday

**San Diego, CA** –The City of San Diego's new Pay & Display Parking Meter program will go live Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 8 a.m., providing more parking and payment options to downtown parking customers.

The new Pay & Display meters will take credit cards, parking debit cards and coins. Using any of the three payment options, parking customers will get a receipt to display on their dashboard as well as a detachable receipt to take with them as a reminder of when their parking limit expires.

The 50 meters are part of a pilot project to provide more convenient alternatives for parking customers and more information on the City's parking needs. The battery-operated, solar-powered meters report directly to City staff how many cars have parked on any given day, how much money is in the meter, and most importantly, notify staff if the meter is malfunctioning. One of these meters replaces ten single-head, traditional parking meters. These features make them not only more accommodating to parking customers but grant extensive data for future parking design and save on maintenance and labor costs.

You can find the Pay & Display meters in the Marina, Gaslamp, Core/Columbia, East Village neighborhoods and the Petco Park area. Parking rates are displayed on the meters and signage in the area.

This project, like the Green-Top Meter Program and the pre-paid Parking Meter Cards, is a collaborative effort between the City of San Diego, CCDC and the Downtown Parking Management Group make parking in downtown San Diego as convenient as possible.

For more information on the any of the pilot programs, call **(619) 527-3145**.

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