Inventory of parking provisions in the NYMTC Region

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Agenda

- Introduction and Importance
- Research Methodology
  - Zoning ordinances
  - Survey/questionnaire
- Findings
- Innovative parking practices
Introduction and Importance

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Research Question

How parking provisions/policies vary across different municipalities
Methodology

- Stratified sampling based on density and development
- Summarize parking provisions from zoning ordinances (Municipal codes)
- Phone interviews (Questionnaire)
  - County planners
  - Municipality planners/Building inspectors/Parking Authority
  - Developers

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Sample municipalities
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Findings

- Different character of municipalities; similar parking provisions
- “Inadequacy” of spaces is a major parking problem
- Parking authority or a Parking Bureau enforces and regulates parking in 4/22 of the municipalities. These authorities charge for on street and off street parking as well.
- Parking district and fee in lieu of parking is available in 4/22 of the cases. These are usually dense urban municipalities
- Commuter lots are free or are charged minimal
Findings

- On street parking is free, but there is a time limit on parking

- Municipal parking lots are regulated through permits and meters in 16/22 municipalities

- Concept of overlay district is seen in ordinances in 3/22 municipalities.

- Inadequate residential parking permits, fines due to expired parking meters is a major problem in 17/22 of the municipalities.
Findings

- Variance: Parking provisions are not restrictive; 10/22 of the municipalities state that the developers do not need to apply for variance so often.

- Shared parking provision is recommended in zoning ordinances in 20/22 of the municipalities.
Pricing

![Graph showing parking pricing by duration with lines for New Brunswick, NJ, City of Yonkers, NY, and City of Berkeley, CA.](image-url)
Regulatory provisions

Multi space pay and display stations, NYC

Pay station
Village of Port Jefferson
Innovative Practices

- **Design** - Spring Street garage, Princeton
- **Demand Management** - Gas Light Commons, South Orange, NJ and Liberty Harbor, Jersey City, NJ
- **Management Authorities** - Parking Authorities, New Brunswick, NJ
- **Financing** - Ferren Mall, New Brunswick
Parking Design

Spring street, Princeton, NJ

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Parking Maximums

Liberty Harbor Project, Jersey City

Gas light commons, South Orange
International Park (ing) Day

To rethink the way streets are used, call attention to the need for urban parks, and improve the quality of urban human habitat.... at least until the meter runs out!

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Comments - Questions

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