

Mayor Ralph Becker Announces the Return of Free Parking in Downtown SLC for the Holidays

Salt Lake City –Mayor Ralph Becker announced today the return of free parking in downtown Salt Lake City for the holidays, allowing residents and visitors to do their shopping in the Capital City without paying to park. Parking meters will be wrapped to look like gifts and will be covered from Thanksgiving Day through New Year’s Day.

At the recommendation of Mayor Becker, the Salt Lake City Council voted to uphold the five year tradition of offering free, two-hour parking in Utah’s Capital City during the holidays.

In making the announcement, Mayor Becker remarked, “From ice skating at the Gallivan Center to the myriad of holiday shows and concerts and the magnificent lights displayed throughout downtown, this truly is a magical time to enjoy the City – not to mention the free parking.”

Councilman Søren Simonsen was on hand for the announcement today and expressed his enthusiasm over the Council’s decision to benefit Downtown shoppers and business owners.

Jason Mathis, Executive Director of the Downtown Alliance and Scott Evans, General Manager of Squatters Salt Lake Pub and Brewery also participated in the announcement today.

Mathis commented, “From Nutcracker performances to the Messiah sing-along, holiday lights on Temple Square to shopping at The Gateway and the Broadway district, downtown Salt Lake City embodies the holiday season. We recognize the significance of this annual commitment and thank Mayor Becker and the City Council for their generous support of the downtown community.”

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