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City offering sessions to help residents apply in person for digital waterfront parking permit

(Barrie, ON) – The City of Barrie is offering in-person information sessions at city facilities that will support residents in applying for their digital waterfront parking permit.

The digital waterfront parking permit is free for Barrie residents. The hangtag pass system is being phased out, and all hangtag passes for Barrie residents will expire December 31, 2023, giving residents time to replace the pass with a free digital waterfront parking permit.

Sessions will be offered at the following times and locations:

- Tuesday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (City Hall, 70 Collier Street)
- Thursday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (City Hall, 70 Collier Street)
- Monday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Parkview Centre, 189 Blake Street)
- Tuesday, May 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (East Bayfield Community Centre, 80 Livingstone Street East)
- Wednesday, May 24, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Peggy Hill Team Community Centre, 171 Mapleton Avenue)
- Monday, May 29, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Allandale Recreation Centre, 190 Bayview Drive)
- Thursday, June 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Parkview Centre, 189 Blake Street)

Residents can apply anytime, anywhere for a waterfront parking permit through the HotSpot app; however residents who prefer to apply in person can drop by one of the sessions and staff will be there to walk them through the process, validate their documents and help them apply.

Residents are reminded to bring the following items with them to the sessions:

- Vehicle ownership document (the green permit you get when your vehicle is registered with ServiceOntario) for each licence plate you are registering for, ensuring the owner's name, licence plate number and address are visible;
- Proof of address (examples: utility or water bill from within the last 60 days, lease agreement, cell phone bill from within the last 60 days, tax bill from the current year, driver's licence).

If residents cannot make one of the in-person sessions, they can bring the required documentation to Service Barrie (City Hall, 70 Collier Street), where City staff will validate and set them up in HotSpot. Applications cannot be processed over phone or email.

Once their permit is active, residents can enjoy free parking at the applicable waterfront areas. The digital permit is tied to the vehicle's licence plate, which means once your vehicle is registered, you don't need to display or bring anything with you when you visit the waterfront.



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Learn more about the digital waterfront parking permit at barrie.ca/WaterfrontParking, or view where you can park free with the digital permit using the [Municipal Parking Map](https://barrie.ca/parking), available through barrie.ca/parking.

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