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MAYOR WAIVES DOWNTOWN PARKING FEES FOR REMAINDER OF THE HOLIDAY SHOPPING SEASON

NEW BRITAIN—Mayor Erin E. Stewart announced today that beginning Monday, Dec. 19th, she will suspend parking meter fees in the downtown area to provide up to two hours of free parking for holiday shoppers. Regular meter rates and enforcement will resume at 7 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 29th.

“I encourage residents and visitors to come visit our beautifully renovated downtown and do some holiday shopping or visit our Christmas tree in Central Park. From toys to clothing and restaurants, we have a variety of places in the downtown district to help you find something unique for that someone special on your holiday list,” said Mayor Stewart. “We’re also extending the holiday parking to a few days after Christmas to encourage shoppers to continue supporting our local businesses.”

Meters subject to this suspension include those on Main Street, West Main Street, Arch Street, and the Szczesny and Badolato parking garages. The Blogoslowski/courthouse parking garage will still charge normal parking rates. Handicapped parking rules will be strictly enforced during this holiday period so that persons with disabilities will have full access to parking in the downtown district.

City Parking agents and New Britain Police Department patrols will continue to operate in the downtown area, enforcing the two hour limit. Vehicles left beyond the limit will be subject to ticket and/or towing at the owner’s expense.

“Please join me in helping to make this season a successful one for our local businesses,” said Mayor Stewart.

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