

Rossi Reminds Visitors of Beach Parking Rules

West Haven- Mayor Nancy R. Rossi is reminding visitors that with Memorial Day and the unofficial start of summer this weekend, West Haven parking ordinances will be strictly enforced. The City of West Haven, as a result of the problematic parking and littering last summer installed signs restricting parking in shoreline neighborhoods without a valid West Haven beach sticker or one of the new guest parking permits.

“We recently instituted a system to keep visitors from parking in the neighborhoods along the shore. We certainly welcome visitors but want them to park and pay in the designated lots along the beachfront. It is unfair to our residents not to have parking in front of their homes for family and friends,” Rossi said. There will be attendants or parking kiosks at the beach parking lots where visitors can pay to park.

There are approximately 800 residences affected by the newly posted “Beach Permit Parking Only” signs. These residents can contact the Human Resources Office at City Hall to request one of the new guest parking permits. The permits are good for the entire summer season and must be picked up at City Hall. Human Resources is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. They can be reached at (203) 937-3566. “Residents who are hosting an event such as a party can contact the West Haven Police Department to request a one-day guest parking permit,” Rossi continued. These requests should be directed to (203) 937-3900. This one-day guest parking permit can be picked up by appointment at the Police Department, 200 Sawmill Road.

“I am asking our residents to be patient and to help us improve the new shoreline parking policies. After the summer season we will continue discussions with our residents and remain open to changes and improvements to the procedure. We have the most public beaches in the state, and we want people to visit West Haven and our businesses, but they need to respect and follow our rules while they enjoy our community,” Rossi added.

Non-residents have the option of purchasing a seasonal beach pass for \$125.00 at the Human Resources Office. To make an appointment and for more information, they can call (203) 937-3568.

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