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PARKING RATE ADJUSTMENTS AT O'HARE AND MIDWAY TAKE EFFECT JANUARY 4, 2010

CHICAGO - The Chicago Department of Aviation informs travelers that some rates for parking at O'Hare and Midway International Airports will increase by \$1 effective Monday, January 4, 2010.

The affected rates vary depending on the lot/garage location and duration of parking. Rates for short-term parking (4 hours or less) at both airports will remain the same. The rates are being adjusted to address the City of Chicago parking tax increase, which took effect in February 2009.

At O'Hare International Airport, the \$1 rate adjustment will apply to parking for:

- five (5) hours or more in the Hourly Parking garage;
- seven (7) hours or more in the Daily and International Parking lots;
- nine (9) hours or more in Economy Lot E; and
- two (2) hours or more for Valet Parking.

The 24-hour maximum rates will be \$31 for Daily Parking, \$46 for Valet Parking and \$51 for Hourly and International Parking lots at O'Hare. All other parking rates will remain the same.

At Midway International Airport, the \$1 rate adjustment will apply to parking for over:

- eight (8) hours or more in the Daily Parking garage; and
- seven (7) hours or more in the Hourly Parking garage.

The 24-hour maximum rates will be \$29 for Daily Parking and \$51 for Hourly Parking at Midway. All other parking rates will remain the same.

Motorists are reminded that there are no fees for parking in the O'Hare and Midway cell phone lots. The O'Hare cell phone lot is located at Economy Parking Lot F on North Mannheim Road, and the Midway lot is located on South Cicero Avenue, just south of 63rd Street.

In February 2009, the City of Chicago parking tax was increased by \$0.75 from \$2.25 to \$3.00. This tax affects all net parking rates once the amount reaches \$12, which occurs when patrons have been parked at the airport over a number of hours. The airport parking rates are being adjusted to the amount necessary to address the City parking tax increase, while keeping rates at a whole dollar amount to provide expedited service to customers.

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The last time parking rate changes took effect at O'Hare and Midway International Airports was December 1, 2007.

Parking information for O'Hare and Midway, including a complete listing of updated parking rates, is available on the Chicago Department of Aviation's website, www.FlyChicago.com.

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The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and create 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Department of Aviation.

The CDA continues to incorporate and expand sustainable initiatives for airport planning, operations and maintenance, concessions and tenants in accordance with the CDA Sustainable Airport Manual (SAM), released in August 2009. To view case studies, lessons learned and new technologies, and for more information on the SAM, please visit www.airportsgoinggreen.org.

The O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP), introduced by Mayor Richard M. Daley in June 2001, transforms O'Hare's airfield from an outdated system of intersecting runways into a modern parallel runway configuration. The program will reduce overall delays at the Airport by 79 percent, and bad weather delays by 95 percent. It will create 195,000 new jobs and \$18 billion in additional economic activity each year. Please visit www.oharemodernization.org to learn more about the OMP.

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