The County operates two parking locations for Governmental Center Visitors. Public parking is available on the first level of the Governmental Center Garage and in the east section of the 4th St. Lot. Both locations require payment for parking in advance using automatic pay stations. These pay stations work just like parking meters except that one machine can serve many spaces. There are two machines in each public parking location. The parking fees for both locations are $.75 per ½ hour up to $8.00 maximum. The machines accept coins or bills and do not give change. Mastercard and Visa are also accepted with a minimum of $2.00. To use the pay stations:

1. Make a note of your space number when you park.
2. Use either machine in the location.
3. Enter your space number using the number pad on the machine.
4. Insert coins and/or bills.
5. If paying by credit card, push the blue button for each $2.00 time increment (1 hr. and 20 min.).
6. Watch the display to make sure each coin, bill or credit card increment has registered before adding more money. The display will show when your parking time will expire.
7. When you have enough time on the machine, push the green button to complete the purchase and get a receipt.
8. Take the receipt with you as a reminder. You can come back and add time to your space if necessary.

-A few helpful tips -

Public parking in the Governmental Center Garage is very limited but there are usually plenty of spaces available in the 4th St. Lot. It is easier to find a parking space in the afternoon and Tuesdays and Thursdays tend to be the busiest days at the Governmental Center. Parking is also available at meters on some of the surrounding streets and at various City and privately operated parking locations near the Governmental Center. Rates range from $.50 per ½ hour to $1.00 for 20 minutes.