

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING AND PARKING IN SANTA CRUZ



The City of Santa Cruz is interested in supporting the use of zero/low emission vehicles as part of its efforts to reduce greenhouse gases and improve Santa Cruz air quality.

The City of Santa Cruz has installed 13 spaces with electric vehicle charging stations for public use at no charge. Three of these stations are at the Soquel/Front garage; three at River/Front garage, Lot 10; two at Pearl Alley, Lot 8; two at South Pacific, Lot 12, and one each at Beach Hill, Lot 18, Wharf/Marini's and the 1111 Soquel east side lot.

Through December 2014, all zero-emission electric vehicles may park free-of-charge at all downtown parking meters and at the Locust Garage, the River Front Garage and the Soquel/Front Garage. Electric vehicles are still be required to observe the time limits on the meters. Beach and wharf parking fees must be paid. Hybrid vehicles are not included in the free parking program.

As of January 1, 2015, electric vehicles must pay the same rates as all other vehicles in all downtown locations.