# ENFORCEMENT AND PERMIT DISTRICTS

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- Extensive traffic & parking management experience, including automated enforcement systems
- First Parking Enforcement Officer for the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department (1990-1995)
- Supported two of the largest U.S. parking meter programs; the City of Los Angeles and the City & County of San Francisco
- SFpark implementation (USDOT-funded congestion management program)
- Established Dixon Resources Unlimited (October 2012)

## Dixon Resources Unlimited

 Extensive parking and traffic management experience

On and off-street programs:

Operations Maintenance

Customer Service Security/Safety

Collections Enforcement

- Revenue reconciliation
- Efficiency analysis
- Overall recommendations and training

CLIENTS	CA - San Leandro
AK - Juneau	CA - Sausalito
CA - Alameda	HI - Maui
CA - Anaheim	ID - Boise
CA - Beverly Hills	IL - Oak Park
CA - Downey	MI – Ann Arbor
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CA - Los Angeles	NE – La Vista
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<b>CA – National City</b>	NM – Albuquerque
<b>CA - Newport Beach</b>	NV - Las Vegas
CA - Oakland	NV - Reno
CA - Oceanside	OR - Portland
CA - Ontario CC	TX - Austin
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CA - Pasadena	<b>UT – Salt Lake City</b>
CA - Riverside	UT - Park City
CA - San Francisco	WA - Seattle

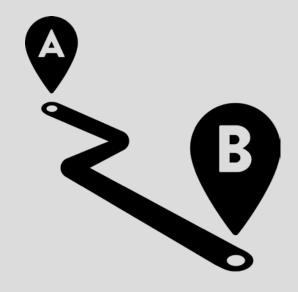
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#### **UNDERSTANDING YOUR MUNICIPALITY'S NEEDS**

- Parking is the first and last experience many people have when visiting a downtown
  - Define your parking ethos
- Importance of long term planning
  - Incremental investments
  - Phased approach



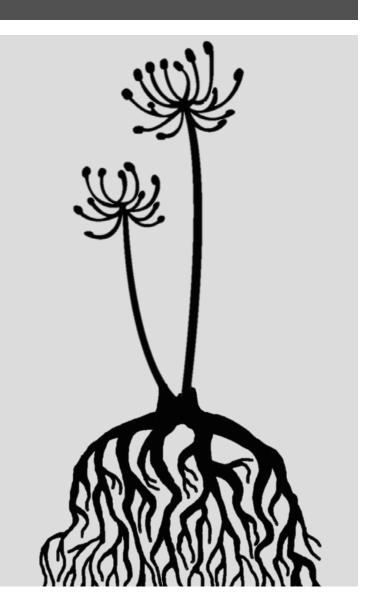
# PROBLEM PARKING AREAS

Have a problem parking area? Create a permit restriction!

- Band-Aid solutions become overwhelming to manage
- Chasing the tail
  - Restrictions push the problem elsewhere
- Proactive vs. reactive approach to parking management

### IDENTIFYING THE CORE ROOT OF AN ISSUE

- Accurately addressing problems
- Make data driven decisions
- ENFORCEMENT IS CRITICAL
  - Compliance based approach to managing parking



# **CASE STUDY #1**

- Potential shared parking agreement
  - College garage
  - Students parking on-street
- Inconsistent enforcement

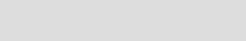
- Follow the numbers
  - Consistent enforcement → data driven decisions

 Defining new residential permit parking zones

- Fluid planning process
  - Continuous monitoring
- Clear goals & objectives

# **CASE STUDY #2**

- 100+ parking permit ordinances
- Band Aid Solutioning



- Streamline ordinances
  - Defined protocols
- Automation
  - License plate recognition



# **CASE STUDY #3**

- University campus transitioned to digital permitting (6 months)
- Digital permitting issues
  - Equipment
  - Inconsistent databases
  - Dead zones





Continuous evaluation and communication (Are you listening?)

# EFFECTIVE PARKING ENFORCEMENT

- Customer friendly approach: Parking Ambassadors
- Consistency
- Beats/routes
- Guidelines and regulations communicated clearly
- Accountability
- Parking Staff are direct representatives of your Agency
  - Professional conduct & appearance
  - Take enforcement duties seriously, but always with courtesy and compassion
- Ethics & integrity standards must be part of your everyday operation

#### PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS NEED TO KNOW

- Posting / Sign Compliance
  - Verify before you cite & understand the regulations
- When to cite & when to use discretion
  - Define enforcement standards
  - Establish criteria (what is a red curb, what are warning thresholds)





# WHAT IS BEST FOR YOUR MUNICIPALITY?

#### Considerations:

- Budget:
  - GapManagement
  - No quotas

- Personnel:
  - Staffing Levels
  - Outsourcing

- Resources:
  - Staffing
  - Technology
  - Training

# HOW TO IMPLEMENT PERMIT DISTRICTS WITHOUT COMPROMISING ENFORCEMENT

- Defined protocols and assessment criteria
  - Establish requirements for implementing a permit district
  - Pre-set permit regulation options
- Standardized rules
  - Ensuring efficient enforcement
  - Also more customer friendly
- Automation
  - License Plate Reader integration



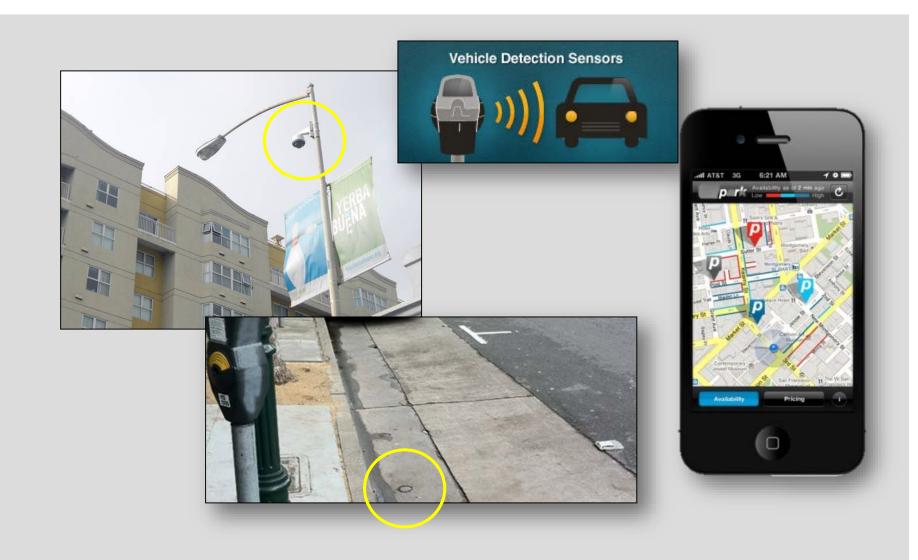
# Parking Enforcement Equipment & Technology

- Handhelds & Printers
  - Smart Phones
  - Proprietary
- Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR)
  - Timed Parking
  - Scofflaw Capture
  - Pay by Plate
  - Digital Permits
    - RPP
    - Employee Parking
    - Special Events



# Guided Enforcement & Availability

- Sensors
  - In Ground
    - Magnetometer
    - Radar
  - Camera
  - Meter Integration
    - Meter Resets
    - Grace Period
- Real-time availability
  - Accuracy
- Analytics



# Parking Enforcement Devices

- Vehicle Impound
  - Street Sweeping
  - Scofflaw Capture
  - Pro-active Vehicle Abatement
  - Auto Boot
  - Windshield Immobilizer
- Citation Processing & Collection Services
  - Vehicle & Municipal Code Understanding
  - Mail & Phone-based Payment Options
  - Parking Citation Manual Processing
  - Delinquent Noticing







# SUMMARY

Focus on service excellence, consistency & training

Familiarity & sensitivity to Community needs

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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