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LADOT Publishes Real-Time Parking Data to Empower, Drive Innovation

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The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) will make real-time parking data available for public access beginning September 21. The open data access available at DataLA will increase transparency, accountability, and encourage creative development in the community.

“We integrate data into everything we do in Los Angeles, because it helps make sure that city services are delivered in ways that make a real difference in people’s lives,” said Mayor Eric Garcetti. “Offering LADOT’s parking information on DataLA will make it easier for Angelenos to navigate our streets and enjoy the city’s most popular destinations.”

Some anticipated improvements from providing the public with parking spot availability and updates include easing traffic congestion around popular public venues, increased retail business by facilitating easier parking turnover updates, and the ability to better serve the public.

“Putting our data out in the open creates a level playing field for innovation” said LADOT General Manager Seleta Reynolds. “Managing parking creatively includes sparking new ideas from all corners, and we look forward to services that improve people’s lives and get them where they need to go safely and seamlessly.”

The data will be shown on DataLA as two tables. The first table will contain parking meter inventory that will be updated periodically. The second table will contain live occupancy status. Users will be able to create a map of meter locations in the portal and view current occupancy. App developers will be able to access the data using the Application Program Interface (API) included with the portal.

The mayor’s DataLA site is a hub dedicated to sharing city data with the public to increase transparency, accountability, and customer service. This information empowers others to harness a vast array of useful information to improve life in Los Angeles.

LADOT currently has 5,450 parking sensors gathering data across three LA Express Park areas in downtown, Westwood, and Hollywood. The parking data will reside at the City’s open portal at data.lacity.org



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About LADOT

LADOT leads transportation planning, project delivery, and operations in the City of Los Angeles. We work together and collaborate to deliver a safe, livable, and well-run transportation system in the city and region. Our vision is for all people in Los Angeles to have access to safe and affordable transportation choices that treat everyone with dignity and support vibrant, inclusive communities.

