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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

COMING SOON!
**City of Chico to Install New Parking Meter System Downtown beginning in
January 2023**

CHICO, CA -- (January 17, 2023) -- The City of Chico is providing the public with advanced notice of upcoming improvements to parking meters in Downtown Chico.

The City will be deploying new Smart Meter Kiosk Units throughout the Downtown core and areas around Chico State University. On each block throughout the Downtown core between 1st and 4th Streets and Salem and Wall Streets, new Smart Meter Kiosks will be installed and the existing parking meters at each parking stall will be removed. The new Smart Meter Kiosks will accept cash or card. Users will also be able to pay using an app that can be downloaded on their mobile phones. In addition, users will also be able to apply and pay for a parking permit online.

Implementation Timeline:

Installation of the Smart Meter Kiosks will start in January 2023 and will continue for two to three months. We ask for your patience during construction activities which may include noise, crews and equipment, and coned-off areas.

Parking Payment Enforcement:

During this transition, existing parking meters will be enforced if there is a functioning parking meter that is not bagged. Parking payment will not be required in parking spaces where the existing parking meters are removed or bagged.

The City will be providing additional information to Downtown businesses and the general public in the coming weeks. A future press release will be distributed indicating more details about the Smart Meter Kiosk system and the start date for enforcement.

For anyone who has questions or for more information please contact Traffic@Chicoca.gov .

Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the world. For more information, visit www.chico.ca.us

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