

## Village of La Grange Launches Innovative Mobile Payment Program for Commuter Parking Meters



La Grange, IL - The Village of La Grange, IL is proud to introduce a new technology that will make parking at Village meters more convenient and efficient. The Village has partnered with Passport, the industry leader in mobile payments for parking and transit, to provide a new payment option. Beginning in mid-July, residents, commuters and visitors can utilize their phones to pay for parking at the Village's meters located along the railroad tracks on Burlington and Hillgrove Avenues.

The PassportParking app is free to download from the iPhone App Store and Android Google Play. Users can also manage their parking online at <http://m.ppprk.com>. If you don't have a smartphone, you can also call the local phone number provided on the Passport sticker located on the meters. Each Passport sticker will instruct parkers to enter their zone and space number once they have parked and are beginning a parking session.

This new payment option will simplify the process of paying for parking, and may also help parkers avoid parking citations. Users will receive a reminder notification when time is running out and even have the option to extend their parking session remotely from their phone.

Each transaction utilizing the mobile payment software includes a nominal transaction fee of \$0.35 in addition to the daily parking fee. The Passport mobile parking payment system also offers a **"prepaid wallet"** option. This option provides parking customers with the ability to add and store prepaid funds in a separate, private account; completed in single transaction. When parkers pay using the prepaid wallet, the transaction is simply deducted from the pre-funded account rather than being charged directly to a debit or credit card.

For those who prefer traditional payment methods, the parking meters will also continue to accept coins.

Passport has successfully launched its mobile payment service in over 17 Chicago suburbs, including Hinsdale, Downers Grove, Clarendon Hills and Brookfield. Passport also developed ParkChicago, Chicago's branded mobile parking payment application.