

Parking

There are many places to park in Victoria. The decision lies on how much you're willing to pay or how far you are willing to walk to the hostel! Here are some suggestions:

Street Parking:

Parking is free at a street parking meter from 6pm until 9am Mondays through Saturdays. Meter parking is free all day on Sundays and holidays. Otherwise you will need to feed it 25 cents for every 10 minutes. Watch out though--the meter maid is watching!

An option for those who don't want to carry coins is to buy a pre-paid refillable parking card. You simply swipe your card when you park at a 90 minute parking meter. If you depart early, just swipe again to stop the time and pay for only the minutes used to the nearest 25 cent increment. Available at the Public Service Counter at the City Hall. Cost \$30 (\$25 worth of parking plus \$5 for the card). Card info: (250) 361-0260

Nearest Car Parks to Ocean Island:

- 1 Central Baptist Church underground security-patrolled parking lot, a half block up Pandora Avenue. Open between 6am - 6:30pm at which point it gets LOCKED. Mon. - Fri. \$1 per hour; maximum \$7/day. Reserved for church members Saturday & Sunday.

- 2 Robbins parking lot. It's the big parking lot next to the Royal Bank parking lot at the end of the block past our hostel. \$8 all day to 6pm. Otherwise \$2/hr. This is in effect 24 hours, 7 days a week.

- 3 Johnson Street Parkade on the 700 block of Johnson.

City of Victoria parkades charge 25 cents per half hour from 8am - 6pm Monday to Saturday. Some shops will give you a 'First Hour Free' coupon if you ask which will give you 50 cents off your total parking cost. Private parkades tend to have higher rates. Monthly parking is also available at various prices. For more info on city parking see www.victoria.ca/cityhall/departments_engprk.shtml

FREE Parking:

There are some 1-2 hour free parking on the outskirts of the downtown core. Check out the area near Chinatown north of Fisgard Street and west of Government Street or east of Quadra Street south of Fort Street. Also at Beacon Hill Park.

There are a few places near town you can park free all-day although these are usually a bit of a walk away. Check out Tyee Road--across the Johnson Street bridge and turn right at the first major intersection; or east of Cook

Street, or you could take your chance at the residential areas nearby near Cook Street Village or behind the Memorial Arena (at Blanshard and Caledonia). Remember you may get a ticket or towed for parking in a residential neighbourhood, but if you move your car regularly you should be OK.

Parking Tickets:

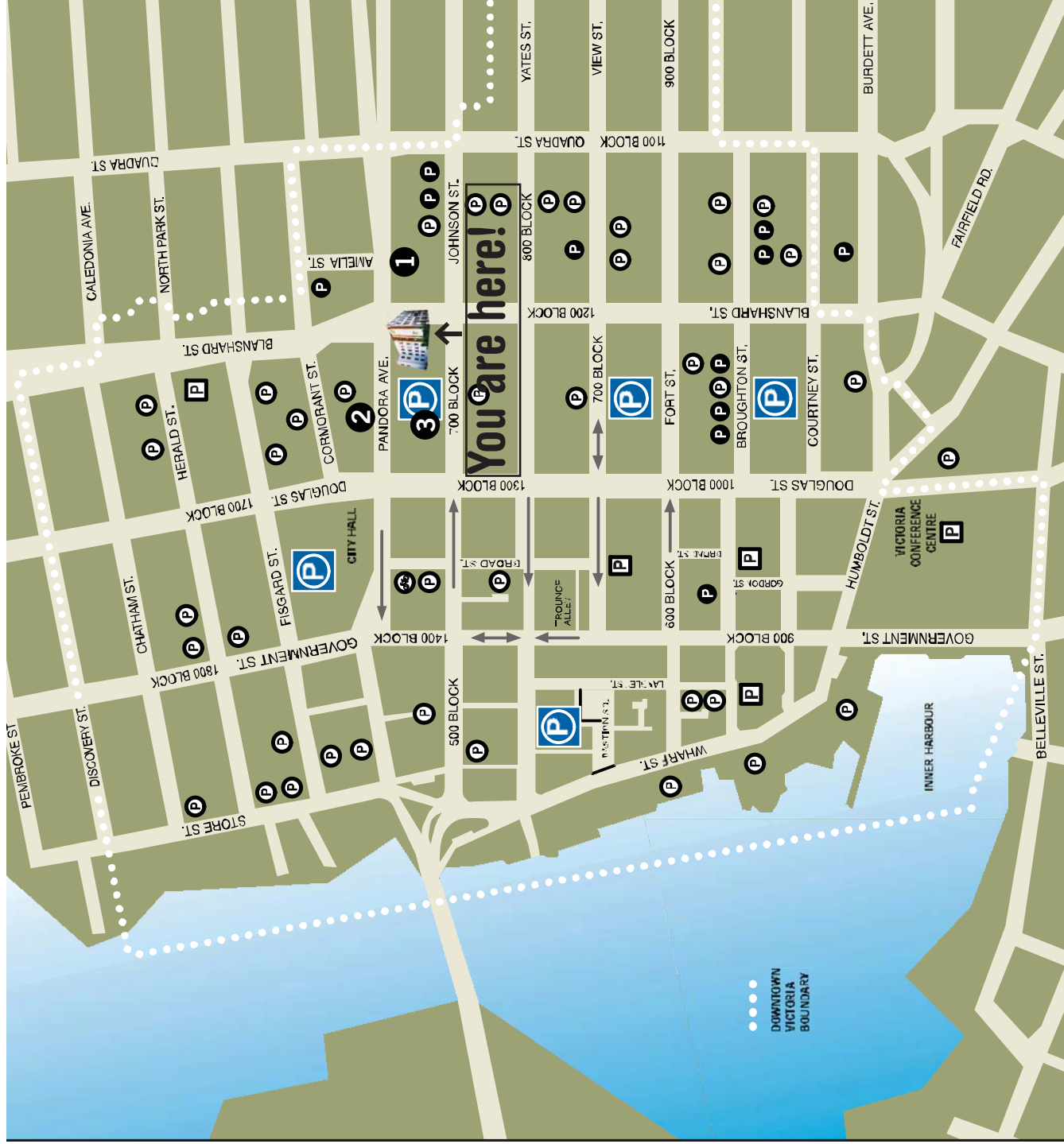
City of Victoria parking tickets can be paid at City Hall on the corner of Pandora and Douglas, online at <https://tender.city.victoria.bc.ca/tempestprod/ecom/Mti/search.cfm> or by phone at (250) 953-6900 or toll-free 1-888-769-9272.

More info: (250) 361-0331

Robbins Parking can be paid in person at 1102 Fort Street (at Cook) Mon. - Fri. 7:30am - 5pm or online at www.islandnet.com/~robbins/violations.html More info: (250) 382-4411 or www.robbinsparking.com

And as always, do NOT leave any valuables in your car!! But you knew that already, right?

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City Parkades – one hour free parking



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Parking lot



Parking lot (after 5 pm)



Bike parking (secured)