INDEPENDENCE DOWNTOWN PARKING SOLUTIONS

- Downtown Independence currently has no parking regulations during the day
- At night there is a no 2am-6am parking restriction for the winter only

- # Possible Solutions

  - ## Install traditional meters(each space has a meter/shares a meter)
  - Use with 2-hour limit
  - $500-$700 per meter
  - Enforcement is labor intensive
  - Less compliance

- Possible Solutions

  o Install park by space modern system
  o Use with 2-hour signage
  o Signage estimate $3000
  o Hardware estimate $50-60K ($6k per kiosk)
  o $500 for pay by phone (recurring costs)
  o Enforcement becomes easier, but with costs for license plate readers/ticketing
  o More compliance than traditional, but less user friendly to those tech challenged
  o Two versions, paper ticket and virtual

- Possible Solutions

  o # Install 2 hr. signage
  o Enforcement becomes very difficult without license plate reader technology
  o This system would be highly driven by complaints, and then only ticketed after timing
  o Cost is low with signage only
  o Could also create 15-minute loading zones for businesses

- Possible Solutions

  o Install 2-hour signage along with reinstating no overnight parking year round
  o Along with above, this would clear all spots each night, and give equal chance at spaces for patrons
  o With the rise of downtown apartments, parking will become more of an issue
  o This solution would also assist street, parks workers downtown year round
  o Cost is low as signage could be ordered with both in mind
  o Recommended low-cost solution

POSITIVES AND NEGATIVES

- Positives
  - Spaces freed up for downtown shoppers
  - Money from payments/fines could be used to improve downtown parking (think signage)

- Negatives
  - People complain about paying for parking in small town Iowa
  - People dislike parking tickets
  - Parking tickets bring confrontations between citizens and police/always negative
  - Money taken in will never cover the cost of program or labor