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## **Press Release** CBJ PARKING UPDATE: "Parking Holiday"

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(Juneau, Alaska) – Ties with the City and Borough's current parking contractor, Aparc Parking Solutions, will be severed effective January 1, 2014.

According to City Manager Kim Kiefer, not only will the contract with Aparc be terminated, but the CBJ has filed a complaint for damages in Juneau Superior Court.

"We'll continue to keep the community informed as we transition into a long term temporary parking plan. Over the course of the next few weeks, we will be replacing parking signs, covering existing parking meters, creating new hourly parking areas, and installing coin parking pay stations," said Kiefer.

She noted additional information will be provided when all the pieces of the plan are in place, but in the meantime, the CBJ is declaring a parking holiday downtown! On street parking will be free, but those parking in the downtown core are being asked to limit their on-street time to two hours to enable as many people as possible to take advantage of shopping and dining downtown – especially during this holiday season.

Loading zone, one-hour and 15-minute parking spaces will continue to be enforced by community service officers. Weekly and monthly parking passes will still be needed to park in the Marine Park Garage and the Downtown Transit Garage, which can be purchased from the CBJ Parks and Recreation Department, located in the Municipal Building at 155 South Seward.

Kiefer will be working with the Assembly over the next few months to outline a plan to evaluate future parking options.

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