

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

<u>Related Policy:</u>	BR.04.02 Capitol Campus Electric Vehicle Charging Policy;
<u>Related Procedure:</u>	BR.04.02.P1 Charging a Privately-Owned Vehicle;
<u>Related Appendices:</u>	BR.04.02.A1 Applicable Parking Garages and Lots; BR.04.02.A2 Laws, rules, policies relating to electric vehicle charging on the state Capitol Campus;
<u>Required Form:</u>	BR.04.02.F1 Charging Stations Policy Acknowledgement Form (Parking Office)

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Given the recent increase in demand for electric vehicle chargers, DES is exploring how to cost effectively deploy available infrastructure. DES continually evaluates feedback from parkers on campus. Below are some frequently asked questions about charging personally owned electric vehicles on the Capitol Campus. These are updated regularly, so please check back for the latest information about EV parking infrastructure on Campus.

Who can park on the Capitol Campus?

Visitors can park in designated parking areas for an hourly fee. Enterprise Services assigns Capitol Campus employees to a specific parking garage or parking lot for a monthly fee. To learn more, visit:

<https://des.wa.gov/services/travel-cars-parking/parking> where you can access interactive maps.

For employees who work on the Capitol Campus

1. Can I use the electric vehicle charging stations in the garage/lot assigned to me for my personal vehicle?

Only if it is a garage/lot covered by the Capitol Campus Electric Vehicle Charging policy or allowed by the installing agency's policy. There are currently a very limited number of electric vehicle charging stations available for use by agency employees for their personal vehicles. When an agency installs electric vehicle chargers, that specific agency's policy governs who can use the stations. Please check with your agency for specific details.

NRB and Plaza garages: Charging stations in the NRB and Plaza garages that are designated for employee use are covered under the DES Capitol Campus Electric Vehicle Charging Policy. To use the stations, employees must first register their EV with the Office of Parking Services.

Mansion Lot: Employees authorized to use the Mansion Lot are not required to register their EV with the Office of Parking Services at this time.

2. Can I use the charging stations in the Plaza Garage to charge my personal vehicle?

The charging stations in the Fleet Operations satellite location on level D5 of the Plaza Garage are strictly for fleet vehicles or drivers using a daily rental fleet vehicle. Four charging stations also located at the D5 level are available to employees who have registered their personal EV with the Office of Parking Services. Those charging stations are identified with signage.

3. Who pays for the maintenance on the charging stations installed on Campus?

The agency that originally paid for the installation maintains the charging stations. Those agencies also have the authority to establish user priority for the stations.

4. I am a state employee working on the Capitol Campus. Where do I park if my assigned parking lot or garage is full?

The Plaza Garage is available to all registered parkers only if you cannot find parking in your assigned lot or garage. Levels C and F in the Plaza Garage typically have available stalls. As referenced above, four EV charging stations are available for authorized employee use on the D5 level of the Plaza Garage. Contact the Parking Office at 360-725-0030 Monday-Friday from 7am to 4pm if you need assistance.

For visitors to the Capitol Campus

5. Where can I charge my personal electric vehicle?

There are a limited number of public electric vehicle charging stations on the Capitol Campus for visitor and employee use. There are two primary public locations, noted on the [online map](#): The Gateway lot near the roundabout at 14th Avenue and Jefferson Street has eight stalls and the visitor lot on the corner of Sid Snyder and Capitol Way has two stations. Parking rules (WAC 200-200-188) prohibit employees who work on the Capitol Campus from parking in the visitor lot at Sid Snyder. Payment is required for each.

6. Are there charging stations nearby that are available to the public?

Yes. Additional electric vehicle charging stations can be found throughout Thurston County at www.plugshare.com. Tumwater has a DC fast charger to assist with charging needs of commuters located at 6131 Capitol Blvd. S.E., and Lacey has several DC fast chargers in the Walmart parking lot at 1447 Galaxy Dr. N.E.