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Hospital parking fee drop applauded

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Perseverance has paid off after the province announced this week it will lower hospital parking rates.

Stouffville resident John Hazlewood — along with other local citizens as the Fair Hospital Parking Charges advocacy group — has advocated, since 2011, for lower parking fees,

through meetings with officials, municipal councils and provincial legislators.

This week, Newmarket-Aurora MPP Chris Ballard announced at the Central LHIN office in Markham that, beginning Oct. 1, hospitals that charge more than \$10 a day for parking must provide five-day, 10-day and 30-day passes that are 50-per-cent less than their daily rate, transferable between patients and caregivers,

allow in-and-out privileges in a 24-hour period and valid for one year.

“The ability to transfer parking passes between family members will go a long way toward helping families visit loved ones in hospital,” Hazlewood said.

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