

Most cities the size of La Crosse, or larger, charge you by the hour to park your car in a ramp.

La Crosse will start using ticket gates in its downtown ramps by April...but parking will still be free for the first four hours during the week, and the first eight hours on weekends. Bob Haines of the city public works office admits that the city is being generous by not charging drivers as soon as they enter the ramps. Haines tells us the long grace period may keep parking revenue down. He thinks the ramps will generate about 25-thousand dollars a year for City Hall.