Can I pay the owner additional money for additional services?

Caution! Side payments are prohibited in the Section 8 program. The only "rent" (payment) the owner may receive for the rental of the unit is the family rent (from the tenant) and the Housing Assistance Payment (from the Housing Authority) as described in the "Family Rent Notice". If there is an additional service that both parties agree to (i.e. parking space for a second vehicle), this written agreement should be submitted to the Housing Authority for approval prior to any payments being made.