



Parking Advisory Committee

Meeting 03/03/2021

Minutes

Attendees: Mike Manzella, James Bonanno, Gene Dello, Barbara Krzak, Jill Potter, William West, John Moor, Jordan Modell, Maggie Quinton

1. Roll Call
2. Salute to the Flag
3. Public Comment
4. Matters from the Director of Transportation
 - a. City Staff informed the Parking Committee that the City intends to hire a new Parking Portal provider as the current provider is not adequately meeting the needs of the City of Asbury Park

5. New Business

- a. Fisherman's Lot Parking Concerns

To help curb local residents' extended use of Fisherman Lot and keep it available for beach and boardwalk visitors, The Parking Committee recommends a 3-hour parking limit between the hours of 9:00 am and 9:00 pm. It is their belief that this will keep parking spaces available for fisherman, surfers, and general beach goers to utilize the lot. Previous discussions of three-hour parking limits and overnight parking for Fisherman's Lot can be found in the Asbury Park Waterfront Redevelopment's CAFRA Permit (2007). The Committee chose not to recommend a prohibition of overnight parking as this may interfere with late night and early morning fishing. It is also the recommendation of the Parking Committee that a fine of \$55 be administered to vehicles who violate the 3-hour parking limit. This penalty is in line with other fines for time limited spaces around the City.

- b. 2020 Incomplete Ordinance

At the Parking Committee's request, they were made aware of adopted City Council Ordinances that have yet to be implemented on the City's roadways. In various locations around the City, signage pertaining to: alternate side parking extensions, parking prohibitions, extended meters, residential, and employee parking, no parking, time limited parking, bus stops, no turn on red and one-way roads are planned for installation before the end of 2021.

Mr. Modell commented on the additional no turn on red locations throughout the City and advised that residents be contacted prior to their installation to ensure they are aware of the changes being made. It is his opinion that residents who have been driving in the area for years may overlook new no turn on red signage as they have an intimate knowledge of the roads in their current state. The Parking Committee agreed with Mr. Modell and recommended Asbury Park Staff take this approach with each of the ordinances being implemented.

Mr. Moor asked if the City of Asbury Park Department of Public Works had been consulted when alternate side parking extensions were discussed. He expressed concern that the department may be spread too thin and could have a hard time adding the new street sweeping locations to their schedule. City Staff assured The Committee that the Department of Public Works was consulted before the adoption of these ordinances and they were confident they will be able to accommodate all new street sweeping locations proposed.

Ms. Potter, after being made aware that Langford Street between Fifth Avenue and Sunset Avenue will be made one-way northbound, asked if parking on either side of the road would be being removed. City Staff responded that no parking would be removed. Designating this roadway one-way is intended to remove conflicts between vehicles traveling in opposite directions that are caused by the narrow roadway without removing parking.

Ms. Krzak questioned the extensions of resident and employee parking. To her knowledge the areas discussed were already designated as resident and employee parking. City Staff explained that she is correct but the current resident parking will be extended and employees who were not allowed to park in these areas previously will soon be able to do so.

Mr. West raised a concern about the uniformity of intersections along Memorial Drive. He explained the stop signs along Memorial Drive at the intersections of Third Avenue, Fourth Avenue, and Sunset Avenue cause confusion and raise the likelihood of collisions. It is his opinion that these intersections should be evaluated and possibly made uniform with other intersections along Memorial Drive.

6. Adjournment