



Parking Advisory Committee Meeting 9/6/2023

Minutes

Attendees: James Bonanno, William West, Eugene Dello, John Moor, Jill Potter, Craig Dipaola, Barbara Krzak, Jordan Modell

1. Roll Call
2. Salute to the Flag
3. Public Comment
4. Matters from the Director of Transportation

- a. Monthly Parking Report

Staff presented the Parking Committee with the monthly Parking Report that illustrated August 2023's parking revenue was 0.89% higher than August 2022's revenue.

Staff continued with the Review of Parking Meter Maintenance. The Committee was made aware that there are some persistent bill reader issues that staff is working to solve as well as one meter with communication issues. All meters are active and present issues are being investigated.

8.11% of parking tickets issued, or 596 in total were voided in the month of August. The largest reasons being Officer Adjusted with 73.32%, Ticketed While Paying with 13.93, One Time Courtesy with 3.36%, Subject Paid with 3.19%, Duplicate Ticket with 2.01%, 1.01% to valid permit holders, and 0% due to User Error.

In the month of August, the Mattison Avenue charging station had an average of 27.96 hours of utilization and 143.80 kWh dispersed per day, the Seventh Avenue charging station had an average of 28.72 hours of utilization and 141.11 kWh dispersed per day, and the Springwood Avenue charging station had an average of 1.82 hours of utilization and 11.53 kWh dispersed per day. Mattison Avenue and Seventh Avenue exceeded utilization goals while Springwood Avenue fell short of meeting both utilization goals.

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 5. Old Business

6. New Business

a. Parking Demand Management in the Central Business District

The Parking Committee discussed different methods for managing parking in the City's Central Business District (CBD) including time limited parking, a later start to metered parking, free parking, and progressive metered rates. The Parking Committee is of the opinion that the metered parking in place is the best strategy to manage parking demand in the CBD. They asked Staff to investigate progressive parking rates as that may create a greater incentive for shorter term parking.

b. 901 Memorial Drive Parking Committee Request

The Parking Committee received two requests for 15-minute spaces along Summerfield Avenue outside of businesses at 901 Memorial Drive. Parking Committee members stated they have experienced congestion in this area and think the businesses would benefit from two time limited spaces. They instructed staff to make this recommendation to City Council.

c. 2023 Recommendations to City Council

Staff informed the Committee they would soon be introducing the Committee's recommendations to the City Council. Staff recalled the Committee recommended two 15-minute time limited parking spaces in the Transportation Parking Lot to assist customers of businesses along Main Street, as well as the two 15-minute spaces mentioned previously in the meeting and three locations to be designated rideshare pick up drop off locations in the Transportation Center, along Second Avenue at Kingsley Street, and Along Springwood Avenue at Atkins Avenue.

d. Guest Permits

Ms. Krzak made the Committee aware of an issue pertaining to Guest Permits. Specifically permit holders being ticketed after 12 am. Staff stated they were aware of the issue and working on a solution with the Permitting company. In the meantime, staff will dismiss tickets issued to valid permit holders.

e. Sunset Avenue and Main Street

Ms. Krzak raised concerns about vehicle creating an illegal second travel lane along Sunset Avenue at Main Street. Staff stated they were aware of the issue and believe placing three bollards at the end of the block will prohibit vehicles from traveling through suing a second illegal lane. The Parking Committee agreed.

f. Asbury Avenue

Detective Dello reiterated concerns regarding businesses along Asbury Avenue using on-street parking for vehicles in need of maintenance. Auto mechanics are leaving customer vehicles on the roadway and residents are having difficulty finding parking. After some discussion the Parking Committee was unable to come up with a solution and decided to table the issue and continue investigating outside of the meeting.

7. Adjournment