

PARKING COMMISSION MINUTES

March 9, 2015

Attendees: Steve Schrock, John Staniunas, Janet Mears, Chris Wallace, Kevin Hundelt, Kurtis Lieber (for Abby Schletzbaum), Mary LeGresley, Julie Loring, guests Stephen Ackerman and Delores Barnard, Callie Long, Danny Kaiser, Donna Hultine, and Margretta de Vries.

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

Reports

Parking

Hultine reported that we are close to signing a contract with NuPark for license plate recognition (LPR) software, for Fall 2015 implementation. There will be no assigned parking lots next year, and both of the garages will still have hangtags. This will be a significant shift in how the permits/permissions work. There was discussion about how multiple vehicle registration will work, logistics, and anticipated changes in ticket revenue. There was also discussion about the improvement to our data about which parking lots are full, and when.

Hundelt asked if the Memorial Drive construction will be sustainable. There was discussion about the construction cost of lot 54's reconstruction, ongoing maintenance issues, etc. These are not in the budget for Memorial Drive.

The annual open forum is set for after spring break, 3 p.m., Thursday, March 26, at the Union.

Transit

Kaiser reported that no increase was requested for transit operations or SafeRide/SafeBus fees, but Fee Review approved \$1.10 increase for bus acquisition, which was rounded down from the requested \$1.12. The bill was sent back to fee review out of the finance committee, but for a different fee issue.

The transit forum was attended by only 3 people. It was also determined that extending the end of service on off-campus routes can be covered within current carry forward, and should be implemented.

New Business

Permit Pricing

Hultine explained that the pricing is different than what was been shown before, because the model did not shift to assigned parking, as recommended. There was a lengthy discussion about how the model works; the commission asked staff to recalculate the increases to have the same percentage across the board, rather than a flat increase. LeGresley added that prices should be in \$5 increments.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

ADDENDUM: Long recalculated the proposed rates to have all permit prices increase by 20% across the board, rounded to the closest \$5. There was discussion (by email) about increasing the price of covered reserved parking spaces more than proposed. Mears made a motion to increase the price for covered reserved spaces to \$1,500 and keeping \$1,250 for not covered reserved spaces, which was seconded by Hundelt. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Wallace made a motion to approve the revised permit prices, as amended, which was seconded by Merritt. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.