



Parking Advisory Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

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PARKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
November 15, 2023

Time: Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm

Present: Houhanisin, Mantey, McAvoy, Singleton, Taylor

Absent: Crutcher, Murphy

Approval of Agenda

- Motion by McAvoy. Seconded by Taylor to approve the agenda
- Motion carries unanimously

Approval of the August 2023 Parking Advisory Committee Minutes

- Minutes could not be approved due to several discrepancies

Public Comment

- No public comment

Timed Parking at Dinan Park

Background: Committee received recommendation from the DDA to limit parking to 30 minutes in the three newly created parking spots adjacent to Dinan Park

- Motion to recommend limiting parking in spaces in question to 30 minutes by Singleton, with caveat that if this turns into a headache it can be revisited in the future
- Discussion/questions raised
 - 30 minutes is functionally unenforceable by parking enforcement officers
 - 30 minutes sets a precedent not previously offered to other downtown businesses. There is no reason to think that other businesses wouldn't start requesting this as well
 - Must define what hours the 30 minutes would be enforceable
- Motion to table this discussion by Mantey. Seconded by McAvoy
 - Motion to table made because the committee feels it needs more information and clarification to give a proper recommendation

- Motion to table this discussion carries unanimously

Capital Improvement Program Requests

- Update Walker Parking Study after Maxwell Training Center Project is complete (2025-2026 range)
- Put money aside for land acquisition in downtown Farmington for parking

Public Safety Update (September 2023)

- Total violations: 11
- Total warnings issued: 27
- No repeat offenders
- In the process of getting a new parking enforcement vehicle
 - Council recommends maintaining the amber light on the top of the vehicle

Discussion of 2023 Accomplishments

- Preliminary discussion was made of 2023 goals and accomplishments
- Discussion will be completed in January 2024 meeting
- Highlights:
 - Committee provided recommendations for timed parking on Farmington Rd.
 - Singleton spoke to the DDA to ask the businesses along Farmington rd. and Grand River on what they would like to see for parking
 - Committee recommended adding updating the Walker Parking Study in 2025-2026 to the Capital Improvement Program

Discussion of 2024 Goals

- Perform prep work for updating the Walker Parking Study
- Add signage for Salem Church parking lot
- Perform an overall parking signage audit
 - Present deficiencies to City Council
- Hold strategy meeting with all interested parties about best usage of parking signage for events
 - Look at Farmer's Market signage usage as a template, as this appears to be successful
- Reexamine the committee bylaws, specifically regarding meeting frequency and composition of committee members

The Value of Parking (McAvoy)

- Due to time constraints, this passage was not read. This will be read at the January 2024 meeting

Committee Comments

- No committee comments

Next Meeting

- The Next meeting will be held on January 17, 2023

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Singleton. Seconded by Taylor to adjourn the meeting
- Motion carries unanimously
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm