

Meeting Minutes
Farmington Parking Advisory Committee
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Attendees

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Agenda

1. Roll call - 7:02 p.m.
2. Approval of the agenda

Taylor made a motion to approve. Crutcher supported. All were in favor. Approved

3. Approval of the amended December Parking Advisory Committee Minutes. Mantey made minor changes to the minutes and said he would submit them to Melissa Andrade.

4. Public Safety Update

Officer Warthman shared his report. The amount of violations were consistent with the prior month. However, it was noted that more tickets were issued in the South lot than in the past.

Halas suggested that the reason for this could have been because the ice rink opened in December. Mantey agreed. He has observed that the ice rink has been exceptionally busy this year.

Officer Warthman's complete report is available in the office of public safety.

Officer Whartman also shared a report that indicated the total amount of money collected for parking violations 2020: \$21,365.00. The complete detailed report is available in the office of public safety. It was noted that this amount is for all of Farmington, not just the lots in the DDA.

Gallagher asked if all of that money goes to the city. Murphy confirmed that it did.

5. Additional way-finding signage
 - a. DDA Merchant Call

Halas suggested that the DDA use their weekly merchant call to remind the merchants to review the parking time limits near their businesses. In turn, they will be able to apprise their employees and

customers. Ideally this will help drive usage of the long term parking areas for employees.

Gallagher mentioned that she will also remind businesses of the time limits when she hosts her neighborhood watch meeting.

Taylor asked if money was earmarked for way-finding signage in the capital improvement plan. Murphy confirmed that there was. For the 2025 capital improvement plan, \$50,000 was earmarked for several parking improvements including signage.

Mantey asked Murphy to talk to DDA Executive Director Kate Knight to ask businesses that surround the ice rink if they would like to employ one or more of the city's short term parking signs. Murphy said he would speak to her about it. The

rationale was that the signage would alleviate parking and ticket volumes in the south lot and in the spaces along Grove St.

6. Election of officers

Halas made a motion to keep the same slate. All were in favor.

7. Future items for discussion

Gallagher asked if an updated parking map could be created. She would like to explore deploying it on the city's kiosks and to see if it could be distributed electronically.

The committee generally supported this idea. As a starting point, Murphy said he would search for the original map that was created. Gallagher will discuss the project with the DDA to see if there is interest in funding the map.

Crutcher suggested that perhaps the map could be integrated with Syndicate signage.

8. Public comment

No public comment

9. Committee comments

Taylor said she will share a passage from the book, "The High Cost of Free Parking" by Donald Schoup

10. Adjournment 7:59 p.m.