

Meeting notes: Farmington Parking Advisory Committee meeting

Jul 18, 2018

Attendees

Rachel Gallagher <rachelegallagher@aol.com>,
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Agenda

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the agenda
3. Approval of the June 2018 Parking Advisory Committee Minutes
 - RG MTA
 - KC support
4. Public Comment
 - None
5. Discussion to consider a presentation from PassPort, Inc., Chris Halas
 - Agree to have a presentation
 - Chris H and DM to coordinate.
 - Kevin C Question of time frame for implementing paid parking. None at this time.
6. Discuss providing data-driven parking solutions in the Warner, School and Thomas Street area
 - BG
 - Kevin C shared a traffic study is planned.
 - KC revision
 - CH concerned study input is relevant to size of development relative to public and private parking spaces.
 - BG clarify the requirements for public and private.
 - RG suggest considering paid parking for private lots.
7. Discussion to determine the economic value of a parking space in the Downtown
 - Councilman Galvin read an excerpt from book, "The High Cost of Free Parking" that pointed out a cautionary tale about mistakes from city planners regarding parking requirements.

8. Discuss best practice for public/private partnership

- Councilman Galvin expressed the importance of private-to-private partnerships and urged the committee and the City to explore alternatives.

9. Discuss ordinance to increase fines for motorists with multiple parking offences

- Rachel Gallagher made a motion to amend the fee schedule to raise the parking violation fee to \$100 starting with the 4th repeat violation.
- DISCUSSION - Chis Halas expressed concern that the committee is being too punitive for a problem that is created by a small group.
- VOTE ON MOTION: Motion seconded by Councilman Galvin. Vote: YES – 4, NO – 0, ABSENT – 1. Motion passes

10. Public Safety update

- Director Demers provided 3 years of parking violation data showing that a small number of individuals are repeat offenders.

11. Future items for discussion

- Kevin Christiansen requested help from the parking committee with the inclusion of a parking element into the City's Master Plan.

12. Committee Comments

13. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Councilman Galvin, support by Chris Halas. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM.