

Parking Advisory Committee Meeting

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 18, 2017

City Hall Conference Room

23600 Liberty Street

Farmington, MI 48335



PARKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE January 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes

1. Roll Call

- a) **Attending the Meeting: Director Demers, City Manager Murphy, Kenneth Crutcher, Elizabeth Turton, Rachel Gallagher, and Joe Mantey.**

2. Approval of the Agenda

- a) **Approved**

3. Approval of November 16, 2016 meeting minutes. - Approved

- a) **There was a follow up question from Joe Mantey about the license plate reader. Joe's question was that a parking structure was probably \$10 million so perhaps a reader is significantly less. Director Demers will look into the cost of getting one.**

4. Follow up from City Manager Murphy and Director Demers regarding placement of signs near Clappison's.

- a) **Director Demers and City Manager Murphy confirmed that the area between the telephone pole by the Clappison building and the pole by the dumpster belong to the City. 13 spaces exist. Clappison indicated he was opposed to us signing the spaces. The 13 spaces were full, and it appeared that Community Living Centers had a large vehicle parked there. There was discussion about whether they should be signed. It was agreed by the committee members that signs should go up. Kenneth asked how long it takes to put the signs in place, Director Demers thought that we could place the signs on the building.**

- 1. **We determined that no action was required by City Counsel to approve this additional signage as City Counsel already approved signing the entire lot so that will just be completed.**

5. Follow up from Director Demers on what other cities are doing regarding modification of three hour time limit

- a) **Director Demers reached out to the Chiefs in the Michigan association and asked what/if any plan people had in place to eliminate the car shuffling.**
 - 1. **Email from Steve Schettenhelm of Rochester sent Director Demers a copy of his statute: Sec. 52-45 Unmetered parking zone: violation as civil infraction. See attachment to these minutes. The purpose of this is to**

From: Frank Demers fdemers@farmgov.com
Subject: Parking Committee Agenda Items
Date: Feb 7, 2017, 9:17:32 AM
To: <elizabeth.turton@gmail.com> elizabeth.turton@gmail.com
Cc: David Murphy DMurphy@farmgov.com

Hello Liz,

I presented the proposed ordinance to enforce "car shuffling" and tire mark removal to city council last night. Mayor Galvin was not present, but the other council members were. Some of the discussion points that were brought up were as follows:

-Consider adding language to the ordinance that vehicles must be moved to an untimed lot before the expiration of the three hour time limit. (Example: A customer at Legato who is parked in the North lot must move to the Masonic lot if they plan to be in the area for more then three hours. There were arguments for and against this).

-Improve signage for untimed lots. There was discussion that people do not know which lots are timed and untimed. It was recommended that we consider defining the boundaries of each lot and establish signage to make the boundaries clear.

-Council members agreed that creating an ordinance to prohibit the removal of a parking enforcement officers chalk mark is a good idea.

Some council members were not in favor of moving forward with the ordinance at all. They are concerned that we are changing too much too soon. They also inquired about making a more concerted effort to educate the employees as they are the biggest violators.

We can expect that Dr. Vargovic from Dubin Optometric and his wife will appear at the next parking committee meeting and voice their concerns about handicap parking in the south lot. They feel that people who have a valid handicap tag should be exempt from time limited parking.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Frank Demers - RE: Time Limited Parking Question

From: Steve Schettenhelm <SSchettenhelm@rochestertermi.org>
To: Frank Demers <fdemers@farmgov.com>
Date: 12/1/2016 12:03 PM
Subject: RE: Time Limited Parking Question

We have metered most everything so we don't have this problem now. Here is what I think you are looking for. Hope all is well for you as well.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Sec. 52-45. - Unmetered *parking* zone: violation as civil infraction.

In an unmetered *parking* lot (when no *parking* meter is erected adjacent to a space marked for *parking*), such space shall be an unmetered *parking* zone, and a person:

(1)

Shall not stop, stand or otherwise *park* or allow said vehicle to remain stopped, standing or parked for a period longer than that designated on the signage controlling said unmetered *parking* lot.

(2)

Shall not move said vehicle within said lot to a different space, or the same *parking* space, for the purpose of extending the *parking* time of said vehicle beyond the legal *parking* time for said lot, which has been established for said *parking* lot by the sign or signage limiting the time in said lot.

(3)

Shall not intentionally remove, cover, alter or cause to be removed, covered or altered the ordinance officer's "time mark" from the tire of a parked vehicle with the purpose of extending the *parking* time of said vehicle beyond the legal *parking* time for said lot, or otherwise shall not do so for the purpose of deceiving the ordinance officer monitoring the time which said vehicle has been parked within the lot. Violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be a civil infraction in addition to any other violation of this section for *parking* over the posted limit, whereby a separate citation shall be issued for violation of this subsection.