



Parking Advisory Committee

Meeting 11/03/2021

Minutes

Attendees: Mike Manzella, James Bonanno, Jill Potter, John Moor, Maggie Quinton, Barbara Krzak, Gene Dello, William West

1. Roll Call

2. Salute to the Flag

3. Public Comment

No public comments were presented.

4. Matters from the Director of Transportation

a. Parking Permit and License Plate Reading Enforcement Update

The Parking Committee was made aware Resolution 2021-431 to contract with Passport for a new Parking Permit Portal and License Plate Reading Enforcement was passed by the City Council at their October 13, 2021 Meeting. Staff is currently working with Passport to collect the appropriate information for the development of the permit portal and License Plate Reading hardware has been ordered. Due to worldwide shortages of electronics, Staff is expecting this hardware to arrive a few months into 2022.

b. Parking Meter Report

Staff updated the Committee with the most recent condition of the parking meters and repairs that have been completed. Currently seven of the one hundred twenty-nine parking meters are out of service while another five are operating but in need of maintenance. Staff assured the Committee that more parts have been ordered and they are working closely with IPS to resolve these issues.

c. Parking Enforcement Report

The Committee reviewed the parking enforcement report and were informed that ten percent of tickets issued in the month of October were voided for various reasons. Staff will be working to decrease the number of miss issued tickets moving forward

d. Paving and Striping -Emory One-Way

The Parking Committee was informed that a number of paving projects have been completed throughout the city on Prospect Avenue, Central Avenue, Comstock Street, Seventh Avenue, Sunset Avenue, and Summerfield Avenue. Striping of these newly paved roads is still underway and new bike lanes are being incorporated into Sunset Avenue and Seventh Avenue. A portion of Emory Street will also be being milled, paved, and striped in the upcoming days and will be switching to a one-way traffic pattern from Sunset Avenue to Eight Avenue similar to Emory Street south of Sunset Lake.

e. Main Street

Committee members requested an update on the status of metered parking along Main Street. Staff assured the Committee that they are still in conversations with the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) about including metered parking along Main Street and the process to make the change is underway. NJDOT is waiting until the Main Street Reconstruction Project is completed before making any additional changes to the roadway. The City and NJDOT are still working to complete end of project formalities and expect to complete the project in early 2022.

5. Old Business

a. End of Year Transportation Ordinance

The Parking Committee was presented with a draft ordinance updating various aspects of the City's transportation Network. Included in the ordinance were: changes to parking meter rates in the waterfront and downtown zones, an expansion of the downtown parking zone to include Mattison Avenue and Bangs Avenue as well as portions of Bond Street and Emory Street, a new penalty for failing to remove a vehicle from the Bangs Avenue garage prior to it closing, No parking on Comstock Avenue adjacent to Bradley Elementary School from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm to allow for pickup and drop-off of students, lowering of the speed limit on Memorial Drive to 25 mph, an extension of metered parking along the south side and Residential permit only parking along the north side of Third Avenue and Fourth Avenue between Bergh Street and Grand Avenue, an update to annual parking permits to allow for a 50% discount on annual permits purchased after September 1st, and updates to handicapped and time limited parking spots that were installed during the reconstruction of Main Street. The Parking Committee requested the penalty for remaining in the Bangs Avenue Garage after hours be raised to \$75 dollars. With that change, the Committee recommended the ordinance to the City Council.

6. New Business

a. Presentation by Yaron Vilosny of Greenspot – Electric Vehicles and Asbury Park

Mr. Vilosny spoke to the Committee about the importance of electric vehicle chargers and new money that has become available for their installation. Committee members asked about the status of planned electric vehicle charging stations on Seventh Avenue and Springwood Avenue. Mr. Vilosny assured the Committee that the chargers are in development and he is closely working with staff to have them installed. He requested the

Parking Committee consider additional locations around the city that they would be interested in installing electric vehicle chargers.

7. Adjournment