



CITY OF TAUNTON

PARKING COMMISSION

15 Summer Street

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Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2012

Present: J Sprague, J Dorsey, E Valadao, Chief Walsh, K Babin
Also Present: Richard Bernier

1. Matters on File

- a. Kiosks were tabled to a future meeting as the subcommittee was assigned a separate meeting to discuss various vendor proposals
- b. Staff meeting scheduled for all parking staff at 6:30pm this evening.
 - i. Staff meeting report : present: Gilbert Andrade, Michael Bianchi, David Henriques, Rosemary Reid, Rebecca Ferreira, Lois Wade. All areas of their duties were reviewed. There was a question and answer portion of the meeting. All matters including communications with parking patrons, notifications to parking patrons of the alternate lots, jury patrons concerns, double parking concerns and other misc items were discussed. (E Valadao took minutes of this meeting).
 - ii. Additional staffing is necessary for alternates. Chief Walsh to send correspondence to HR Director Maria Gomes asking for updates.
- c. Signage- Street signs need to be removed and new signs for 18 Pleasant Street need to be installed. R Bernier to price out and install signs. There will also be a 'park at your own risk' sign installed at 18 Pleasant Street during the interim free parking timeframe.
- d. Deck lighting issues have been resolved.
- e. Storage pod & Fire Chief issue discussed. Commission to coordinate with the DPW to use their bobcat to remove excessive snow. It was decided that this would be on a case by case/storm by storm basis.

- f. Tickets supplies –LOW. New tickets should be arriving within the next three weeks.
- g. Meters installation on Broadway still in process. They will be moved from Cohannet and Martin Parkway to Broadway sometime in March. Reprogramming will also be done within that timeframe.
- h. Sidewalk project discussed. The Commission subcommittee to include that on their agenda and meet with Kevin Shea and Beta to get full report to bring back to the Commission for updates.
- i. Armory updates- there is still an issue with grading and the necessary wall near the Library side of the property. J Dorsey to follow up on this matter.
- j. Galligan's –no updates. There is still a drainage issue and TMLP/drive thru matter. It is felt that this project should be placed in line behind resurfacing the Trescott Lot.

New Business

- a. Trescott Lot was discussed. It was felt that it is a potential paid lot. It may cost upwards of \$200, 000. For upgrades.
- b. Jason Buffington's commission seat was discussed as Jason is now the City Solicitor. J Sprague spoke to Councilor Buffington regarding the recommendation/process on his replacement. It was felt that Council President Ryan Colton should be approached on the action needed. E Valadao to contact Attorney Colton regarding the seat. If Mr. Colton is not interested, it is the feeling of the Commission to request Don Cleary as the Council representative.
- c. The monthly pass report was distributed to the commission. After discussion, this was tabled to a future meeting. Report placed on file.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50pm

Subsequently, the staff meeting resumed with the Commission members (J Sprague, E Valadao, J Dorsey, Chief Walsh (also Richard Bernier) at 6:30pm. This meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday February 14th at 3pm at TPD

Respectfully submitted,
J Sprague, Secretary