



CITY OF TAUNTON

PARKING COMMISSION

15 Summer Street

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Parking Commission
Meeting #77 /Minutes

Present: J Sprague, J Dorsey, K Babin, Chief Walsh, Councilor Colton
Also Present: R Bernier, Maria Gomes HR Director

March 13, 2012

1. Matters On File-J Dorsey chaired the meeting in the absence of E Valadao.
 - a. Part Time Employees –Ms Gomes reviewed all questions for descriptions for ‘on call’ booth staff and new Parking Control Officers. It was decided that 3 ‘on call’ staff would be hired and 2 PCO’s would be hired. Ms Gomes to research other towns/cities job descriptions and draft one for TPC with all specifications. She will forward to all for review and approval prior to internal and external posting.
 - b. Discussion on Parking Director position. M Gomes discussed process in which this may occur from the City government side. She will also research this and report back to the Commission at a later date.
Ms. Gomes was dismissed from the meeting.

J Dorsey welcomed Councilor Ryan Colton as the new Council representative to the Commission.

- c. Parking Deck
 - i. Signage- no report
 - ii. Jacobs –no updates. Commission frustrated with the progress of finalizing invoice from Jacobs Engineering via Wayne Walken’s office. There was discussion on whether Commission can breach contract completely or retain them for repair work without third level-as a change of scope of services that would incur legal ramifications. It was decided to ask

Solicitor Buffington for opinion on this matter. J Sprague motioned, R Colton seconded to have Chief Walsh contact Building Superintendent Wayne Walkden regarding invoicing and contract and notify him that Commission wishes to remove him from involvement with this matter. Vote was unanimous.

- d. 18 Pleasant Street
 - i. Kiosks –MOECD included kiosks for this lot and sidewalks location within their RFP for sidewalk project. In this project area, posts for meters will not be an option according to MOECD office.
 - ii. Surfacing /landscaping/fencing–DPW in discussions with last phases for surfacing issues. Still pending.
 - e. On Street Parking
 - i. Sidewalk project-discussed under 18 Pleasant Street business
 - ii. Ticketing-going well
 - iii. Meter relocation-in process for Broadway
 - f. Galligans
 - i. DPW updates-Fred Cornaglia and Tony Abreau from DPW have stated that this project is considered in ‘Phase 9’ of the DPW/sewer updates. The project needs to go through contaminated property and work with the TMLP. There is still some concern as to where property lines are located. It will be funded in the ‘Phase 9’ project.
 - g. Budget-completed and submitted by Chief Walsh.
 - h. Parking Conference 3/28 & 3/29-several members of the commission to attend
 - i. Documents for City Clerk-no updates
2. New Business
- a. Day of Portugal Request-letter read aloud. K Babin motioned, Chief Walsh seconded to approve request pending proof of liability insurance. Vote was unanimous
 - b. City of Lawrence- Report given that several members of the Mayor’s Task Force will be traveling to other towns/cities for research. Lawrence will be included for parking information.

Meeting adjourned 4:10pm
Respectfully submitted, J Sprague /Secretary

Next meeting –Tuesday April 10th, 3pm TPD