

Advisory Parking Committee
Meeting of July 12, 2023
151 Martin Street, City Commission Room, Birmingham, MI

Minutes

These are the minutes of the Advisory Parking Committee ("APC") regular meeting held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

1. Rollcall

Present: Vice-Chair Richard Astrein; Jim Arpin, Kelly Cobb, Kevin Kozlowski, Mary-Claire Petcoff

Absent: Chair Al Vaitas; Lisa Clark, Michelle Moody, Lisa Silverman, Jennifer Yert

Staff: Parking Systems Manager Ford

SP+: Catherine Burch, Anne Jay

2. Approval Of Minutes: Meeting Of June 7, 2023

Motion by Mr. Arpin

Seconded by Ms. Petcoff to accept the minutes of June 7, 2023 as submitted.

Motion carried, 5-0.

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: Arpin, Kozlowski, Astrein, Petcoff, Cobb

Nays: None

3. Multimodal Board Requests

PSM Ford presented the item and answered informational questions from the APC.

- a. Bike Rack
- b. Pedestrian Crossing at N. Old Woodward Garage

4. Lot 5 Repaving

PSM Ford presented the item.

- a. Two Phase Project

5. 2018 Parking Plan

PSM Ford, Ms. Burch, and Ms. Jay answered informational questions from the APC.

APC comments were as follows:

- Variable pricing is an interesting way to manage demand;
- Birmingham does not consider the aggregate estimated parking demand in its planning;
- Switching the monthly parking passes to daily parking passes or passes that debit an account with every use could be used to encourage people to take alternate modes of transportation or to park in the lower-demand garages;
- Given that employers purchase most of the monthly parking passes, changing the rate structure might be less likely to change parking utilization patterns; and,
- Increased signage directing parkers to the lower-demand garages and lower-demand street parking zones would be appropriate.

6. Misc. Communication

PSM Ford answered informational questions from the APC.

a. EV Charging RFP

It was noted that most cities have level two EV chargers and charge for use of the EV chargers.

b. June APS Update – Reports

7. Meeting open to the public for items not on the agenda

It was discussed that the APC needs clarification on whether some of the overnight parking counts from Pierce are accurate. If they are, the APC should consider some kind of action to address that trend.

It was also discussed that the APC should also consider whether vehicles parked on an earlier day should receive free egress on Sundays in the garages, or whether it is more appropriate to only allow vehicles both parking and leaving on Sunday to park for free. Shifting to the latter option could allow for the capture of more revenue and more parking count data.

PSM Ford said he would supply the parking fund totals in the monthly APC packets moving forward.

8. Adjournment

No further business being evident, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.



Aaron Ford, Parking Systems Manager

Laura Eichenhorn, City Transcriptionist