

Meeting Minutes
Farmington Parking Advisory Committee
September 16, 2020

Attendees

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Public Attendee: Pat Donnelly - Business Owner - Farmington
Insurance 248 474 3511

Agenda

1. Roll call - 7:03 p.m.
2. Approval of the agenda -

Halas made a motion to approve. Crutcher supported. All were in favor. — Approved

3. Approval of the August 2020 Parking Advisory Committee Minutes

Murphy requested minor changes. Halas agreed to update changes once Murphy supplied the changes.

Gallagher made a motion to approve revised minutes. Taylor supported. All were in favor.— Approved

4. Public Comment — Pat Donnelly, owner of Farmington Insurance Co, inquired about time limits in the south lot. His employees and customers had recently received tickets for time limit violations. He was troubled by this because as an owner of a private lot, he routinely shares his spaces with downtown patrons. He wanted to know if a change could be made to the time limits of the South lot that are directly adjacent to his lot. Chief Demers agreed to use the cameras to monitor volumes in that area. Demers will present his findings at the next meeting. The committee will discuss possible courses of action.

5. Public Safety Update

Chief Demers shared his report with the committee. The volume of violations were consistent with the volume of violations from the prior month as well as those prior to the pandemic. In summary, Chief Demers sees an overall atmosphere of compliance among motorists who park in Farmington lots. The city consistently issues a small amount of tickets, between 30-40 tickets per month. The complete, detailed report is on file in the office of public safety.

6. Walking of Parking Lots

Chief Demers led the committee on a tour of the parking lots. Findings included that lot volumes remain low except for Farmers Market days. Additionally, restaurants in the North lot

could more efficiently use the space they have allocated for outdoor dining. Several spaces were needlessly blocked due to imprecise rope boarder placements and bicycle parking.

7. Items for future discussion-

David Murphy provided a printed map that included possible locations for electric charging stations. The committee will need to make a recommendation of a location based on this map in order to take advantage of the available grant.

8. Committee comments

Taylor would like to discuss placement and funding of additional way finding signage to the lots on Orchard St.

Halas will recommend to the DDA that they use a portion of time on one of the weekly meeting merchant calls to apprise business owners of the locations of employee parking areas.

Crutcher would like to address better utilization of outdoor seating areas

9. Adjournment 8:00 pm