# **Meeting notes: Farmington Parking Advisory Committee meeting**

Sept. 19, 2018

Attendees

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## Agenda

- 1. Roll call
- 2. Approval of the agenda Murphy made a request to update the agenda to accommodate input that Halas received from PassPort, inc. Halas made a motion to update the agenda. Motion was supported by Crutcher. All were in favor of agenda update.
- 3. Approval of the August 2018 Parking Advisory Committee Minutes Approved
- 4. Public Comments: None
- 4.A Update on Halas' Conversation with Passport, Inc.

Halas had a productive conversation with Passport, Inc. All prior committee questions were answered:

Passport works with communities of our size.

Passport read the Walker Parking study and advised that Farmington could benefit from continued public/private parking partnerships. Passport offered to visit Farmington and speak to the committee about how technology could help encourage partnerships.

Passport confirmed that structural changes to parking lots could be minimal. Limited to the installing physical signs which they would provide.

This feedback generated discussion among the committee. Mantey said that Farmington would have to make a decision about migrating to a paid parking model

before it made sense to further engage Passport, inc. That would also require a discussion among the entire parking committee. Since there were only three members in attendance, it was mutually decided that we would discuss this again when all members could attend. If all agreed that an in person presentation from passport made sense, committee suggested that a presentation should be scheduled in early 2019

Before closing the topic, Halas mentioned that Passport suggested that Farmington investigate modern curb management. Specifically, the possibility of including ride/sharing pick-up and drop-off zones to relieve parking congestion. Crutcher agreed that it was something that the parking committee should recommend to Farmington City Council. Ultimately, Joe Mantey said that topic may be better handled by the planning commission rather than the parking committee.

Murphy mentioned that the city could look into allowing ride sharing services to use bus stops for pick up and drop off of passengers.

5. Discussion on Parking Committee Accomplishments.

Demers said this is a responsibility he would like to assume as it would be easy for him to refer back to the recommendations that the committee has made to City Council. Then, he said he could show which recommendations were implemented.

6. Discuss providing Data-Driven parking solutions in the area of Warner and Thomas Streets.

Murphy said that he had a report that would enable an informed conversation on this topic. He said he would share it with committee members prior to our next meeting. Committee needs to read this report prior to next meeting to be prepared for an informed dialog.

7. Discussion to determine economic value of a parking space in Downtown:

As this item is presented by Galvin, Mantey said discussion on this item would be postponed until our next meeting. All agreed.

8. Discuss best practice for public/private partnership:

Murphy provided an update on his dialog with Chase Bank and the CVS lot. He is hoping to make more progress with both organizations by our next meeting.

## 9. Public Safety Update

Demers provided a report. Overall citations were down from the prior with the exception of Saturday Market Days. More citations were issued for illegal parking. Specific numbers are available in his report.

Demers also agreed that he would apprise repeat offenders by mail that fines would be increasing as a result of the new ordinance.

#### 10. Future Items for Discussion -

Crutcher suggested that there may be another solution to motivate private businesses to share their parking spaces. Perhaps businesses that do not offer their parking spaces for public use could be incentivized to do so. This note is purely conceptual as of this writing. It is included here because Crutcher wanted to address this topic at our next meeting with the full committee.

#### 11. Committee Comments -

As many future items required the attendance of the full committee, Halas raised a motion to postpone our October meeting to accommodate travel schedules. Chair Mantey cited the bylaws which only allow the chair to cancel a monthly meeting. Chair Mantey said he will notify everyone by email. In preparation for the November meeting, Murphey agreed to send materials to committee members to review.

Crutcher raised a motion to re-order future agendas to begin with Public Safety Update as that data would inform discussion on other agenda items. Halas supported motion. All were in favor.

12. Adjourn