

(In Person and Zoom)

MINUTES FROM THE  
PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
April 12, 2024

Members Present: John Foster, Cindy Cobetto, Michelle Shatto, Ericka Johnson, Jennifer Rosselli-Lynch, Moayad Abuzaneh, Shane Kessinger and Linda Eilerman

Ex-Officio Members Present: Robert Vanzo, Craig Holan, Mike Hamil, Mallory Sidarous, and Diane Chappel

Members Absent: George Pelekanos (excused) Ryan Fries (excused) Cheyenne Carpenter (excused)

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Tony Langendorf (excused)

Vice Chair Michelle Shatto presided over the monthly Parking and Traffic Committee Meeting on Friday, April 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in person and via Zoom. Minutes from the meeting of March 12, 2024, were presented. Motion was made and seconded, so Minutes stand approved.

COMMITTEES

- A. Appeals Committee: Michelle Shatto reported. Four (4) appeals were granted, and one (1) denied.
- B. Policy Committee: No report.
- C. Senate Reports:
  - 1. Faculty Senate: No report.
  - 2. Staff Senate: No report.
  - 3. Student Senate: No report.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A. None.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Initiatives Assigned to Facilities Management:

There were no initiatives assigned to Facilities Management

- B. Motorist Assistance, Citation, Towing Monthly Report, and Moving Violation Statistics, and EV Charging Data:

No new trends emerged. Pay by text is now up and running with plans to expand usage to other locations.

C. Summer Construction Plans: Mike Hamil and Bob Vanzo discussed the pending plans. Basically, all lots will be sealed, with the exception of the School of Dental Medicine, as those lots are concrete and Cougar Village, as those lots will be demolished in the near future and be replaced with new lots.

### NEW BUSINESS

A. Parking Rate Increases: Three scenarios for Fall 2024 were presented and discussed. Scenario #2 was generally favored. This scenario kept red and blue permits with a 6% increase and all others with 10%. Theory being that red and blue were required, but green, brown and orange were optional and should bear a higher percentage increase. Yellow was also proposed at 10%, as the Housing permit covers an extended period of time. Mallory Sidarous reasoned, however, that yellow was also a required permit, and therefore should have the same percentage increase as red and blue. After the meeting, a revised scenario was created that held the Housing permit at 6% yet didn't affect the others. By consensus this revised scenario was supported by the group. Bob Vanzo will present the Committee's recommendation to Interim Vice Chancellor for Administration, Dr. Bill Retzlaff, for his consideration and hopefully, approval. Until then, the members were asked not to share the discussion out of the meeting, as it would be considered preliminary.

B. License Plate Recognition: Facts and figures were shared with the membership. The general feeling is that we should move forward with this new technology as soon as we can. Best case, we are probably looking at Fall 2025. Much research and multiple vendors will enter our decision making, and we will be making follow up reports to the Committee once we have additional information.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will be ordering five (5) new pay stations for Lots B and C, the lots used primarily by visitors. Beyond that, we will move to pay-by-text in the other lots. The existing stations have exceeded their life cycle, and we are experiencing a lot of maintenance issues with them. Additionally, the new machines will not have bill acceptors. Bills tend to jam in the machines we currently have when the weather hits a certain humidity level. We will talk more at the next meeting, but a possibility is that we might add the Flowbird fee into the parking rate for these machines.

A matter has been submitted to the Board of Trustees to add the Simmons baseball field parking lot to the revenue bond system. This is the only one of our lots not currently a part of the system. If approved, parking monies can be used to expand, maintain and obtain revenue from the lot.

## ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Mallory Sidarous. Cindy Cobetto seconded the Motion. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. The next meeting will be on Friday, May 10, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Room at the Morris University Center and on Zoom.