

**PARKING ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 8th, 2011**

Members Present:

Don Olsen, Chairperson
Robert Carr

Will Gilbert
Drew Smith

Leticia Moore

Members Absent:

Scott Godfrey (excused)
Nick Blake (excused)

Bruce Simon (excused)

Steve Bruggeman (excused)

Others Present:

Chris Mallow

Lori Dilworth

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS:

Approve minutes from October 2011 meeting: Minutes were approved

October 2011 Monthly Report

Chris went over the monthly summary. There were no dramatic changes with the garages. Park 4 showed decreases across the board due to the customers parking at the free meters, so that means that only 84% of Park 4 is now occupied. Cash sales for Park 1 for prior month is down overall versus prior year, but still up a total of 13%. Crowne Plaza is staying static. Tokens were down, not selling as many 10 hour meter permits, but that was to be expected due to the free parking downtown, 14 ten hour permits were sold for October, 14 permits for November and 5 for December, which is down 60% for October and November and 90% down so far for December.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dehler Park

Chris talked to Debbie Mehling, Wyeth and Bruce McCandless and they notified Chris that they need to check with Billing Clinic to see if it is still possible that they will allow the bike path, their intentions in the beginning were just to restrict motorized vehicles, Chris was asked to continue pursuing until resolution is found.

Free Parking Trial

Chris presented a copy of the free parking data sheets, he explained that all the data needed to be rechecked for any errors. He talked about what data we are collecting and how we are using the information to find out averages and percentages of the people who are actually parking in the free parking areas and if they are staying there all day. There is 1 enforcement officer gathering the data and 2 enforcement officers still doing enforcement. Chris explained that we still have people who are not willing to move to the free parking areas, but according to the enforcement officers, they have seen people day after day that are not space hopping.

Chris has not had any more complaints from businesses since the last meeting. The only concern that people has was wondering why their tires were getting chalked and it was explained to them that it was for our data gathering purposes only.

Anti-Shuffling Ordinance

No discussion, leaving under old business

Site Development Code Changes

Chris advised the board that they currently have the transit offset almost figured out. They will meet with Debra Hagel, who is the route planning limitation director from MET. She will go over

They are still compiling information and will bring to the board at the next meeting.

Park 4 Sale

Bruce McCandless had a meeting with Dick Kosmiki and Joe Long in regards to seeing if the city would back bonds for them to finance, they could get a lower bond rate if they bought them thru the city and they would be able to offer more money. Bruce told them that if they were wanting to do this, they would need to do that in writing and present it to Pat Weber and the city council.

NEW BUSINESS:

Downtown Alliance Report

Nothing to report Greg and Lisa were not present

Informational Items

Talk about the lighting

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.