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PARKING COMMITTEE MEETING

July 15, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: City Councilor Mark Coen
City Councilor Jennifer Kretovic
City Councilor Fred Keach
Intown Concord Representative Tonya Rochette
Intown Concord Representative Pam Peterson
Chamber of Commerce Representative Mark Ciborowski
Parking Clerk Alison Sinisgallo
Parking Manager Dave Florence

ABSENT: City Councilor Allen Bennett
Community Representative Jeff Bart
Intown Concord Representative Sue McCoo
Concord Area Transit Representative Jim Sudak

GUESTS: Deputy City Manager Carlos Baia
Assistant for Special Projects Matt Walsh
Traffic Engineer Rob Mack
Chris Demers

Monthly Review Items

1. Review previous committee minutes

City Councilor Jennifer Kretovic moved to accept the minutes of the April 2013 meeting. Intown Concord Representative Tonya Rochette seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Previous Monthly Citation / Finance Activity

Parking Manager Dave Florence reviewed the number of parking citations issued during the 2012-2013 fiscal year. There were 963 fewer parking citations issued this fiscal year as compared last fiscal year.

The Parking Fund finished the year $41,088.08 below the projected budget.

New Items or Presentations

1. Request from Chris Demers, 15 Hutchins Street to add parking back to Knight Street

Traffic Engineer Rob Mack reviewed a request from Chris Demers of 15 Hutchins Street. Mr. Demers asks that on street parking be restored to the East side Knight St. According to Mr. Mack, restoring the parking spaces would not create a sightline issue. There should be room for 2 vehicles to park on the East side of Knight Street between Hutchins Street and the crosswalk in front of Second Start. After much discussion about signage and street markings, Chamber of Commerce Representative Mark Ciborowski moved to make a recommendation to City Council to rescind ordinance 2818 enacted March 14, 2011. City Councilor Fred Keach seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Communication from June Latti, 10 Court Street regarding a citation received for overtime 3 hour zone.

The committee reviewed a letter from June Latti of 10 Court Street requesting permission to stay longer than the 3 hour limit posted on Court St. Ms. Latti has a lengthy history with the Parking Enforcement Unit, including a lawsuit against the City of Concord. The lawsuit was dismissed in 2011. Mr. Keach moved to acknowledge receipt of Ms. Latti's correspondence and inform Ms. Latti that the committee supports the existing ordinance. Intown Concord Representative Pam Peterson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Referral to TOC and Parking Committee regarding S. State and Thorndike regarding restricting parking on the west side of S. State.

Mr. Mack reviewed a letter from Timothy Willis of 8 Thorndike Street requesting parking be banned on the West side of South State Street near the intersection of Thorndike Street. The request being made due to the large number of motor vehicle accidents in the area. Of the 7 accident reported since 2010, 5 have been the result of motor vehicles headed west bound on Thorndike. Vehicles parked on the West side of South State Street do not interfere with the sightline of vehicles traveling West on Thorndike Street. At this time, parking is not permitted on the East side of South State Street; the West side is posted "No Parking Here to Corner" North and South of Thorndike Street. Mr. Ciborowski moved to deny the request. Mr. Keach seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Request from Penacook resident, John Rhodebeck, asking to remove the "one hour" parking time limit from Charles Street in Penacook.

The committee reviewed a letter from John Rhodebeck of 14 Charles Street, requesting the one hour parking time limit be lifted from Charles Street in Penacook. The time limit was enacted October 12, 1999. At this time, there does not appear to be a great need for short term parking on Charles Street. Mr. Keach moved to recommend to City Council ordinance 2322 be rescinded. Mr. Ciborowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Open Discussion

1. City Councilor Mark Coen asked if the committee meetings could take place as needed, rather than monthly. Mr. Florence deferred to the committee's preference. Assistant for Special Projects Matt Walsh will send a memo to committee members outlining future meetings.

Mr. Keach moved to adjourn. Mr. Ciborowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

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