

Advisory Committee on Transportation - Minutes

Meeting Place: Department of Public Safety, Staff Development Room

Date: January 21, 2015

Time: 3:00 pm

Meeting chaired by: Cheryl Stout, Director of Transportation and Parking

Members in attendance: Dr. Chris Payne, Tom Thornburg (via conference call), Richie Grimsley, Jackie Overton, Prof. Peter Gilligan, Jesse Cohn, Than Austin and Mel Hurston

Absent: Gene Bober and John Tallmadge

1. **Ordinance Changes (Stout)**

A brief overview was given on the proposed 2014-15 Ordinance changes (see handout). The ordinance changes will be submitted to University counsel who will draft and make the red line changes within the ordinance. We would like to submit at the BOT March meeting.

2. **Meter Spaces in Undergraduate Library Lot (Stout)**

The Director of the Student Stores has requested additional meter spaces in the Undergraduate Library lot, adjacent to the store, which currently has only two meter spaces. Per a survey taken by the Student Stores, customer's biggest concerns were the lack of parking. This request will be considered and reallocation of spaces (employees and service) in this lot will take effect in the upcoming year (July) to add additional 1-hr meter spaces.

3. **Scooter Parking (Austin)**

Effective July 2015 a new state law will go into effect that changes the registration and licensing requirement for scooters. Scooters will be treated like motorcycles therefore we are implementing new policy to be in line with the new state law. Transportation Planning are currently working on identifying locations (see handout) for additional motorcycles/scooter parking within current parking lots and trying to minimize impact to existing vehicular parking spaces. The other challenge will be getting the word out to the students who operate scooters. Hopefully potential new spaces will be identified next month.

4. **Chapel Hill Transit Financial Sustainability Study (Litchfield/ Austin)**

Brian Litchfield presented an overview of Chapel Hill Transit (CHT). The study detailed overviews pertaining to performance, funding, key challenges and the Financial Sustainability study (see presentation).

5. **Graduate Student Survey (Cohn)**

A GPSF transportation survey was distributed through its biweekly newsletter in December 2014 and a few individual departments. The content included basic demographic information, travel behavior, preferences of different types of fees and recommendations and ideas for improvement which resulted in approximately 500 responses (5% of GPSF population) (see presentation).

6. **Member Round Table Comments**

- Academic Affairs (Thornburg) – Thornburg reported that among a group within the School of Government an interest was expressed about “shared parking permits” and provide parking more in line with demand. He would like the group to consider discussing in the future.
- GPSF (Cohn) – none
- Student Affairs (Payne) – none
- Athletics (Grimsley) – none
- Faculty Council (Gilligan) – none
- Employee Forum (Overton) – It was reported that the Forum will be conducting an employee/staff climate survey. It is anticipated that parking will be one of the issues that comes up and that information will be forwarded to the ACT committee. The survey will be launched in late March early April.
- UNC Hospitals (Hurston, Watson and Terry) - none
- Student Government (Pranikoff) - none
- Transportation Planning (Austin) – It was reported that an update will be given at the next meeting pertaining to the University Master Plan. Also, the P2P Working Group is still meeting and making progress towards improving P2P service (i.e., route modification, new fleet and technology).

Next meeting date(s): Wednesday, February 18, 2015