

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes 3

Thursday, October 27, 2016

8:00 AM

The Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month.
Parking Department, Director's Office, 2801 Salzedo Street, Coral
Gables, FL 33134

Parking Advisory Board

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Board Member Thomson, Board Member Hinterkopf and Board Member Rua

Absent: 2 - Board Member Magdaleno and Board Member Snow

1 Director's Report

- Cashier/Attendant RFP - Commission awarded a three-year contract to LAZ Parking. Procurement and Parking staff will begin working with the new contractor to schedule execution, implementation and transition of the new contract.

- The new parking lot on the 300 Block of Aragon is currently open and very busy. The new lighting and most of the Palm Trees have been installed. The availability of this parking lot helps with parking in this area dramatically; traffic circulation is much smoother with the additional parking spaces.

- Car Sharing - The contract with Zipcar for a car sharing pilot project was forwarded to Zipcar after review by the City Attorney's office. We are hoping to execute the contract within the next few weeks.

- Monument Markers - Dodec Inc., the contractor painting all the Street Markers in the City, has completed work on more than 1,000 Markers. There are approximately 7,500 Markers throughout the City and the project is expected to take most of 2017 to complete. Areas completed are generally between Le Juene and Red Road South of Alhambra and North of Sunset.

- Garage 1 - Traffic on Andalusia in combination with the dated garage system in Garage 1 are creating regular traffic issues. The traffic issues are most noticeable Wednesday to Friday between 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Staff is reviewing options to reduce the wait times for exiting.

2 Minutes From September 2016

- The PAB chair asked for comments or corrections to the minutes.

- The September 2016 meeting minutes were approved as written.

3 Discussion Concerning Potential Garage 7

- The Director provided an aerial view of Parking Lot 6 and adjacent properties that are being considered for a new Public Safety building. Lot 6 is the recommended site for the new Public Safety Building (PSB). A potential new public parking garage is also being considered (adjacent property).

- Loss of Lot 6 and the current PSB will result in the loss of more than

200 public parking spaces. There is a need to replace this parking and to add parking in the North Ponce area. It would be possible to build a 450 space public parking garage on the referenced site for approximately \$12,000,000. This public parking facility would be separate from parking for the PSB that will be contained within the new PSB for employee use only.

- City Commission has authorized the City Manager and staff to proceed with the recommended PSB project and to negotiate (if possible) the acquisition of the property adjacent to Parking Lot 6.

4 Parking Rate Review and Recommendations

- The Director provided the PAB parking rate information for Coral Gables and other Cities within south Florida.
- Within Coral Gables, North of Giralda the average rate for one (1) hour of parking is \$4.29, and the average rate for two (2) hours of parking is \$7.14.
- Within Coral Gables, South of Giralda the average rate for one (1) hour of parking is \$3.75, and the average rate for two (2) hours of parking is \$7.75.
- The PAB discussed previous rate increases: permit parking rates have not been increased since 2009, garage hourly rates have not been increased in nearly 20 years and maximum on-street parking rates remain below nearby communities.
- The PAB discussed near term Development Projects including planned parking and transportation projects.
- After discussion, the PAB voted (3-0) to recommend the following rate increases to City Commission for approval.

4.a. RECOMMENDATION

The Parking Advisory Board recommends that the City Commission approve parking rate increases as follows:

- Increase all permit rates by \$5 per month in FY2017 and FY2022.
- Increase the hourly rate in parking garages to \$1.50 per hour.
- Establish maximum hourly rate on-street at \$2.00 per hour.
- Delay hourly rate increases in garages, on Miracle Mile and on 100 Giralda until after substantial completion of Streetscape Improvements.

5 FY 17 Budget

- The PAB discussed specific items approved by the City Commission

in the FY 17 Budget.

- As part of the budget \$250,000 in funding is available for Trolley services expansion. Of the potential service expansion projects reviewed the PAB is asking staff to look at providing trolley service on Saturdays and Holidays.

6 Award of Custodial/Attendant Contract

- At the request of the City Commission the evaluation committee met a second time to review the responses to the Parking Operations RFP.
- The evaluation committee (for the second time) recommended LAZ Parking to provide cashiering, parking attendant, and supervisory support for the City’s parking facilities.
- A three-year contract was awarded to LAZ Parking by the Commission on October 25th.
- A thirty-day notice will be provided to SP+, the current vendor, once the new contract is executed and the new vendor is ready to commence operations.

7 Discussion Concerning “No Parking” Signs

- The City is in the process of developing new procedures for the request and installation of “No Parking” signs.
- At the direction of the Commission “No Parking” signs will only be allowed for public safety or traffic issues.
- As part of the transition staff will be looking to develop Neighborhood Protection Zones where schools or other high traffic facilities adversely impact a residential area.

8 Holiday Meeting

- The PAB discussed the date for a combined November/December PAB meeting.
- A tentative meeting date of December 8th was established, but the Director will call for or change the date of proposed meeting if necessary to address any issues that arise.

9 Open Discussion

- There were no other items raised by the PAB.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 09:10.

NOTE