

City of Coral Gables
Meeting Minutes
Parking Advisory Board

405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Thursday, October 26, 2017

8:00 AM

Parking Department, Director's Office,
2801 Salzedo Street, Coral Gables, FL
33134

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: 2 - Board Member Milian, Board Member Magdaleno

1 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- FY2018 Budget - The FY2018 budget was approved by the City Commission at the end of September. The new budget includes funds to continue improving the parking garages by installing new elevators, lighting, and equipment. In addition, funding has been provided for cleaning and custodial services on Miracle Mile and Giralda.
- Trolley Driver Contract - MV Transportation, the new contractor providing drivers for the Trolley service is targeting December 1, 2017 as the date for taking over for Limousines of South Florida. They are interviewing current drivers that would like to continue driving in Coral Gables.
- New Trolley Depot - Documents have been prepared and provided to the Procurement Division to advertise an RFP for construction of the new Trolley Depot and Fire Station 2 upgrades. The project is currently scheduled to be bid within the next few months with construction taking approximately 12 months.
- Centralized Valet - The Commission reviewed the proposal for an expanded centralized valet program at the October 24, 2017 Commission Meeting. This included an update from David Plummer and Associates related possible guidelines for locating the centralized valet stands. David Plummer and Associates will review existing conditions and propose valet locations consistent with these guidelines.
- Giralda Grand Opening - The grand opening of Giralda Plaza took place on October 13, 2017. Attendance was approximately 5,000 people. Valet will continue to operate on Ponce for the Giralda Plaza businesses.
- Freebee pick up/drop off service provided by the City continues to operate with approximately 4,000 rides per month.

2 RESIDENTIAL PERMIT ZONES

- Six (6) new areas have petitioned for Residential Permit Parking Program.
- Further installation of Residential Permit Zones (RPZ) is on hold pending a final determination by the Commission.
- The PAB had a general discussion of the RPZ program voicing general support of the need to exclude commercial traffic from neighborhoods.

3 GARAGE ELEVATORS

- The Director updated the PAB on the condition of the Garage 2 elevators.
- The anticipated cost to rehab the elevators is approximately \$250,000; while the cost to replace them would be approximately \$500,000.
- Based on the condition of elevators and the level of traffic in Garage 2 replacement of the elevators is currently a more viable option.

4 GARAGE OCCUPANCY COUNTERS

- The Director notified the PAB that staff has been directed to look into Garage Occupancy Count System with digital displays.
- The digital displays would provide potential parkers information on the number of spaces available before they enter the facility.
- The PAB discussed the efficiency of various wayfinding systems.

5 CENTRALIZED VALET

- A handout of the “Centralized Valet Scope of Services” was provided to the PAB members.
- The PAB discussed the advantage to a centralized system and the efficiencies that could be realized.

6 OPEN DISCUSSION

- The PAB continued discussion of the “Freebee” pick up/drop off service; and requested staff provide the Freebee contract and operating procedures to the PAB.
- The PAB requested staff provide on-street revenues broken out by area or zone for analysis.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 09:05 a.m.