

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARKING COMMISSION
MINUTES
October 21, 2015

The Public Transportation and Parking Commission met on the above date at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Department.

Members Present: Ms. Jessica Faison Mr. Brian Farkas
 Mr. Will Russ Mr. Dave Schwartz

Staff Present: Mr. Kevin Mulligan Mr. Kenneth Jackson Mr. Lamont Jackson
 Mr. Corey Barrett Ms. Amanda Braddy Mrs. Rachel Manning

Guests:

Council Liaison: Council Member Richard Croskery

I. WELCOME: Mr. Farkas called the meeting to order and established a quorum was present.

II. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Schwartz to approve the September 16, 2015 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Russ and passed unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Parking Ordinance/Fee Changes

Mr. Barrett stated Code Enforcement is proposing fee increases on parking violations. The changes being proposed would increase from \$5.00 to \$20.00 on parking citations, increase the hourly rate of parking from \$.75 to \$1.25, and the ability to issue multiple citations on extended parking over two hours. Mr. Russ made a motion to have the Commission endorse the changes being requested by Code Enforcement to City Council. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schwartz. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Barrett also discussed the increase in purchases of the E-tag and leased spaces on the parking deck. There are 189 lease spaces at \$48.00 per month. Currently, approximately 100 spaces have been leased. E-tags are 4 per year at \$75.00. Mr. Farkas recommended to further discuss the E-tag and variation between the two parking systems.

Mr. Barrett also mentioned the placement of trial parking meters, locations being: Evans Street (at the parking deck) and in the area of 4th Street and Cotanche Street. Mr. Farkas asked about metered parking at 5th Street and Evans Street. Mr. Barrett said they were looking into it, but it would not be included in this phase (Phase II).

VIII. OTHER – FYI

1. GREAT Monthly Report

Mr. Jackson presented the GREAT monthly report for review

2. GREAT Route Adjustments

Mr. Jackson stated that Council Member Glover requested a bus shelter be placed at Greenville Terrace Apartments. However, upon investigating, ridership does not qualify that area for a bus shelter. Mr. Farkas asked what the number had to be in order for the area to qualify. Mr. Jackson replied with ten being the minimum number required.

3. Crosswalks Update

Mr. Mulligan presented the spreadsheet for crosswalks update. Mr. Mulligan stated the location at Hooker Road near Walmart is still an ongoing investigation and it is recommended that no action be taken as there are current high visibility crosswalk markings, and ADA ramps. However, moving the bus stop closer to an existing crosswalk is a possibility.

The second location investigated is Cotanche Street and East 7th Street. There is an existing pedestrian signal 150 feet north of the location (Reade & Cotanche). There is also a crosswalk being installed on Cotanche Street just south of East 7th Street. Therefore, no action will be taken at this time.

The third location investigated is located on Hooker Road near Sedgefield Drive. Data has been collected and no action will be taken at this time.

The fourth location is along the 10th Street Corridor. It is still under investigation and an ongoing part of the Corridor Safety Project.

Mr. Farkas recommended bringing in a liaison from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission to participate in further discussion of crosswalks and pedestrian safety as PTPC typically deals with parking and transportation issues.

4. Upcoming Projects & Meetings Information

Mr. Jackson stated there were no upcoming projects and meetings to announce.

IX. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2015

- Discuss parking at Carver Library.

X. ADJOURN MEETING

With there being no further business to conduct, Ms. Faison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for January, 2016 at 9:15 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Manning, Secretary
Public Transportation & Parking Commission