

TOWN OF HULL
Parking Study Committee Minutes

Date of Meeting: 12-6-2010 Meeting Start: 7:10 pm Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 pm

PARKING LOT ISSUES: identified at 9-26-10 meeting

TOPICS: Reports from committee members and feedback

Attendance:

Member	Present	Absent		
John Brannan	x		jcbrannan@aol.com	781-635-4203
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Audrey Cassevov	x		Audball39@comcast.net	781-864-7564
Moe Fishel	x		7150@verizon.net	781-925-5224
Bob DeCoste	x		robdcst@aol.com	617-592-0580
Jean La Rochelle		x		781-925-5953
John Pucillo	x		jpucillo@synapticlearning.com	617-510-3553
Jim Canavan-David Clinton (AB)		x		

Visitors: Captain Sawtelle, Janet Johnson, Alana Swiec

MOTION: Approve minutes from November 22, 2010

Member	Yes/No	
John Brannan	x	
Dennis Zaia	x	
John Minnelli	x	
Amy Lemkin-Paul Espstein (BMC)	x	
Bob Brady	absent	
Audrey Cassevov	x	
Moe Fishel	x	second
Bob DeCoste	moved	
Jean La Rochelle	absent	
John Pucillo	x	
Jim Canavan-David Clinton (AB)	absent	

Comments: Unanimous

Dennis presented his suggested Plan of Action.....document is attached.

John Pucillo captured key issues based upon the conversation and feedback from members of the committee and guests.

- Cost of stickers. Issue was raised with some attendees who felt that it would be helpful to broader goals of parking program to charge for new stickers
- Sticker location on vehicle. In order to avoid current problems with the window placement of stickers, including those resulting from tinted windows, it was proposed that new regulations be established to require stickers be placed on the outside of vehicles, on the center of rear bumpers.
- Name of actual stickers was brought up in response to a proposed "Restricted" and "Municipal" terminology for two basic types of stickers. A concern was the "Municipal" could be confused with the term "municipal" as used in parking lots, etc. One idea that had some support was the notion of "Resident" and "Resident *Restricted*" names - this way all would be Hull Resident stickers while some would additionally be for designated restricted zones. One proposal is that these both look basically the same except that the Resident *Restricted* be printed in a different color for easy ID than the Resident sticker.
- Railroad beds. There was much discussion of the issues and opportunities presented by the railroad beds. It was generally agreed that this was a serious issue that needed to be addressed but that this could not be tackled in the short-term. One proposal was that a separate subcommittee be established that reports back to the current Parking Committee, and whose express purpose is to study and outline Railroad Bed issues and make a set of initial recommendations (within the overall context of contributing to Hull parking/transportation solutions) to the Parking Committee; proposed subcommittee members could include those not on the current Parking Committee.
- There seemed to be a general agreement that the Committee should focus on "Phase 1" details in it's first report/proposal and that later (Phase II and Phase III) items/issues should be stated as "Next Phase" items rather than trying to delineate and determine exact timing of these within the Phase 1 Report/Recommendations.
- Enterprise Fund. There appeared a general consensus on the importance of establishing a Transportation/Parking Enterprise Fund (TEF) as part of any Phase 1 Recommendations. Funding for a TEF, to pursue signage, line painting, beautification, and other objectives, was also brought up as a major reason for the need to charge for resident stickers.
- Free parking for Hull residents (with Resident and Resident *Restricted* stickers). Providing free parking in municipal, DCR, HRA and current metered spots was a goal of many Committee members (for those who had Resident stickers). There was not agreement however on how time would be determined in certain case, for example in metered spots, so that Resident cars were not going beyond maximum parking times that could potentially jeopardize business parking and important space turnover especially within business areas/districts.
- It was suggested that some type of a dialog be opened with businesses and that maybe they are offered a "deal" for business proximity spaces to help their businesses, and thus the overall Hull community, rather than simply opening up all of these spaces to sticker and/or permit parking.
- Non-standard passenger vehicles. The issue was raised as to how to treat these vehicles (e.g. Commercial-plated, RVs, trailers, etc.) Do these vehicles get special stickers, no stickers, pay special rates, etc.?
- Hingham/Nantasket Junction. It was suggested that the Committee begins a dialog with LAZ Parking, the operators of the H/N Junction parking lot, with the goal of seeing if we can work out some kind of a deal to share revenues for beach parking, have some type of van service to/from Beach and Junction. Also, it was suggested that perhaps Pemberton Point might be an area that could be discussed with LAZ Parking for more formal paid parking spaces, etc. as part of a bigger goal of partnering successfully with them to help increase Hull parking revenues.
- It was expressed that we need to identify/clarify and clean up (paint parking spot lines, add signage, meters, etc.) all Hull municipal parking spots that are not clearly part of a well-delineated parking lot (for example, the municipal spots that are designated at the base of XYZ streets).

Our next meeting will be on January 3rd and we will begin to make decisions on specific issues so that we can finally move forward with a plan.

MOTION: to adjourn meeting

Member	Yes/No	
John Brannan	x	
Dennis Zaia	x	
John Minnelli	x	motion
Amy Lemkin-Paul Espstein (BMC)	x	
Bob Brady	absent	
Audrey Cassevov	x	
Moe Fishel	x	
Bob DeCoste	x	
Jean La Rochelle	absent	
John Pucillo	x	second
Jim Canavan-David Clinton (AB)	absent	

Comments: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Zaia