Plymouth Growth & Development Corporation | BOARD OF DIRECTOR PUBLIC SESSION MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2013

Members Present: Leighton Price, Alan Zanotti, Chris Pratt, Charlie Bletzer, Donna Fernandes, Dick Quintal & Rich Knox

Absent: None

6:10 pm Call to Order & Public Comment - There is no public comment at this time.

Special Event Requests

Waterfront Festival: Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting their annual Waterfront Festival on August 24, with a rain date of August 25, on Water Street and in the Jenney Pond Lot. They will close Water Street from the corner of Union Street all the way to Brewster Street from 6am-8pm. They are requesting a waiver of parking for their event.

Mr. Zanotti motions and Ms. Pratt seconds to support the request. Passed | 6-0-0

Motor Heads Car Show: Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce requests to block off the back half of the Jenney Pond Lot on August 24, with a rain date of August 25, form 1-4pm for their annual Motor Heads Cruise in Car Show.

Mr. Zanotti motions and Mr. Bletzer seconds to support the request. Passed |6-0-0

Town of Plymouth Memorial Day Parade: The Veterans Office requests an exemption to paid parking on May 27 from 9:00am-12pm for their annual Memorial Day parade.

Ms. Pratt motions and Mr. Bletzer seconds to issues relax enforcement until 12:00 on the day of Passed | 6-0-0 the parade.

Valet / Nix's Mate on Town Wharf: Representatives from Boston Valet and Nix's Restaurant were present to request a Blocked Space Permit so they can valet cars from Nix's on Town Wharf to a parking area arranged with the Radisson. They would like to block 4 meters, Friday 3pm-1pm, Saturday 10am-1am, Sunday 10am-1am until Labor Day. They will be charging a fee for this service.

Mr. Quintal arrives 7:03 pm

Ms. Pratt motions and Ms. Fernandes seconds for Mr. Burke to work on a suitable valet program from the 4 metered spaces on the side of Nix's Restaurant from Memorial Day to Labor Day - 2013. PGDC can revoke this permit at any time and must be named as additional insured. Ms. **Pratt** amends her to motion to approve 3 spaces. Passed | 6-0-1

Mr. Bletzer abstains.

7:37 pm **On-street Parking Items**

Water St. Corridor Improvement Project: Sid Kashi from the Town Engineering Department presented the proposed plans for the Water Street Corridor Improvement Project. The Town is widening travel lanes to 11 feet each way, adding a 5 foot bicycle lane, and wider sidewalks. This

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phase of the plan is from the rotary heading north to Nelson Park. Park Plymouth will lose 12 parking spaces in the improvement project area. Six (6) of those spaces currently do not meet ADA requirements therefore we would lose them regardless.

Mr. Knox motions and Mr. Bletzer seconds to support the Town's infrastructure improvement project as presented. Passed 7-0-0

School Street Sidewalk/Parking Improvement – Mr. Burke suggested that because the sidewalk is in poor condition, Park Plymouth overlay the sidewalks on the opposite side of the street from Burial Hill side so that we could move parking to that side of the street. Sid Kashi said the Town has looked into this and would need to relocate two hydrants at the cost of \$2K each hydrant, overlay cost is \$10K, pavement markings, signage and crosswalk is \$1K for a total of \$15K total. The revenue for both installing approximately 20 meters plus parking permits would net around \$6,000 annually. Town was granted \$35K to replace the jacketed water main and School St is a possibility (1 year).

Ms. Pratt motions and Mr. Bletzer seconds to reserve \$15K to support the renovation of School Street as a condition of installing metered parking on the other side of the street.

Passed | 7-0-0

Summer St. Regulatory Change: Parking on Summer Street has been changed from 2 to 4 hour parking – The Board of Selectman approved this change on May 7th. Staff will begin changing the signage.

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Water Street Lease: The parking lot lease and upgrades for 234 to 244 Water Street are just waiting for approval from the Conservation Commission that there are no surrounding wetlands. Signs have been ordered and the hope is to have it operational by Memorial Day weekend. The estimate for costs of striping is \$500, the conservation application/survey is \$750, and signs are approximately \$350.

MBTA/Radisson Parking Lot Status: The MBTA will send the lease termination to the Radisson by the end of the week and will send a copy. PGDC might consider leasing it on a temporary basis on a month-to-month basis until MBTA resolves the lease issues.

Plymouth Transportation & Visitor's Center Design Kick-off Meeting: The Committee members will have a kick off meeting on May 15th with the new designer at Town Hall in the Plantation Room to review the scope of work with the consultant.

Sovereign Bank Signing/Striping: The striping is complete on one side and the Bank seems pleased. The bank would like us to stripe the remainder on a Sunday.

Town Building Permits to Developers: Mr. Zanotti will be attending a meeting tomorrow with Ms. Arrighi about issuing building permits to downtown developers and the parking concerns associated with them.

Overnight Parking Permit/Fee in RV Parking Lot: Mr. Burke surveyed other communities on their status regarding this issue and those surveyed do not allow RV parking because of gray water and abuse issues. The Board discussed changing this lot to Bus only.

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8:50 pm Ms. McDonough is excused from the meeting.

8:50 pm Temporarily adjourn the Public Meeting to go into Executive Session under the provisions of MGL, Ch. 39, 23A-24 (roll call vote).

Date:

- Mr. Price-YesMr. Quintal-YesMr. Knox-YesMr. Zanotti-YesMs. Pratt-YesMs. Fernandes-YesMr. Bletzer-Yes
- 9:40 pm Return to Public Session.
- 9:40 pm Ms. Pratt motions and Mr. Knox seconds to adjourn the meeting

Respectfully submitted by PGDC Secretary Mr. Alan Zanotti

Signed: _____ Alan P. Zanotti, Secretary

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