

City of Salem, Massachusetts



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City Ordinance Sections 2-2028 through 2-2033."**

The City Council Committee ~~xxx~~ of the Whole

met in the Council Chamber on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

for the purpose of discussing the matter(s) listed below. Notice of this meeting was posted on

June 9, 2011 at 5:30 P.M.

(This meeting is being recorded.)

**ATTENDANCE**

**ABSENT WERE:** Councillor Allier, Councillor O'Keefe

**SUBJECT(S)**

#60 - Establish a Parking and Traffic Commission

#182 - Comprehensive Parking Plan Recommendation

#183 - Ordinance amending Traffic Parking penalties, Parking Prohibitions, Parking Meters  
and Tow Away Regulations (no handout - too large)

- Tom Daniels talking about parking changes since last meeting  
(see handout) - Ticket changed to \$25 + No Waiver  
- Enforcement M-S 8AM-8PM Sun. 12-8PM

- Councillor Roman asked about Dual Garage Passes + Prices

- Councillor McCarthy favors the \$25 ticket without waiver

- Councillor Pinto - Asked Tom Daniels why Museum Garage Pass  
didn't go down. Tom D. explained difference in the 2 Garage  
Pricing.

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- \* Councillor Lovely excused herself from meeting to attend another meeting
- Councillor Perry asked Tom D. why the Group decided to eliminate the fine ticket. Tom P. explained City will lose money. C. Perry asked why the enforcement hours changed. Tom D. stated City is operational 7 days and felt the hours/days will help open up parking spaces.
- Councillor Forey favors implementing the parking plan.
- Councillor Sosnowski asked if Rius from Chamber was involved in parking study. Tom D. said Chamber was represented by Ben B.
- Councillor Pinto - Asked if City did this study to make money or open up parking spaces? Tom D. said they wanted it to be revenue neutral.

\* Opened Meeting to Public Comment \*

- Cheryl Michael from The Essex thanked group for meeting with them + listening to them. Wants to make sure voice is heard.

~~There~~ Fabot 51 Lafayette St. asked if other communities have Sunday enforcement. Tom D. not sure.  
Suggested a Hot Line for Short Annual Pass Holders

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On the motion of C.

the meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

  
(Chairperson)

- 3) Anna Gallo - The Essex - talked about in the old days parking was free to encourage people to come downtown. Wants to keep Sunday meters free.
- Beth McCafferty - Derby Lofts - Talked how plan doesn't address their issues. All resident stickers should be good throughout the city, city should stop forcing condos owners to buy parking passes.
  - Barry McCafferty - 289 Essex St - Asked about resident sticker program and if they could get passes.
  - Councillor Renan stated the purpose of the parking charges is to open up street parking.
  - Sumner Delaney - The Essex - Talked about his difficulties parking in downtown Salem.
  - Councillor ~~Sargent~~ Sargent - Stated City Councillors didn't approve parking in garage workers to build condos.
  - Dave McKillop - owner of Rockefeller's - Stated the <sup>parking</sup> working group took into account residences as well as businesses.
  - Councillor Sosnowski asked Dave M. his feeling on Sunday meters. He favours the meters on Sunday.
  - Brian McCafferty - 51 Lafayette St. asked about how many enforcement officers the City has. Jim Hacker stated 2 full 1 part time. would need to have 3 Full Time Meter readers if plan implemented.
  - Shirley Walker - Derby Lofts - Talked about dual garage pass price.
- Councillor Lively rejoined meeting \*
- Councillor Renan talked about how Dual Pass should be lower than proposed by the Group
  - Kate Robinson - Derby Lofts - Concerned because their issues are not being addressed.

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- Tina Simik - The Essex - works at Children's Hospital Boston. Talked about her parking problems + need to have problems fixed.
  - Councillor Lovely talked about being on Council for 14 years and has seen the Courts being built. Council doesn't have power to change ZBA Variance. Must go back to the ZBA Board.
  - Debby Snyder - Derby Lefts - Talked about how Salem has changed from being dead, to being a lively place. This has created the parking problem that needs to be addressed.
  - Lynn Duncan, City Planner agrees City needs to address everyone's issues.
  - Pam Broderick - Federal St. - Thanked Council for meeting on the Parking Plan.
  - Councillor Sosnowski - Talked about ways to fix slow emergency parking.
  - Ryan Chavers - Latitude Center - Discussed his concerns with the Parking Plan.
  - Tom Daniels recapped the parking changes.
  - Councillor Ryan asked Tom D. about TIME LIFE.
  - Councillor Ryan talked about how Council will address other issues.
  - Councillor Sosnowski talked about Resident Sticker Program.
  - Councillor McCarthy talked about pricing of Dual Parking Pass Pairs.
    - Concerned with enforcement hours and new additional passes.
  - Councillor Lovely asked about enforcement hours and why enforce until 8 PM. She believes should enforce until 6 PM.
  - Councillor Preezy agreed with Councillor Lovely. Has issue with Sunday enforcement.
  - Councillor Ryan doesn't like enforcement until 8 PM. No Sunday enforcement.

⑤ \* ~~(#182)~~ #182 Parking Plan  
Councillor Sargent wants to move issue out of Committee  
2nd by Councillor Pirvey

Discussion

- Councillor Furey concurs with recommendations + wants to move the parking plan forward.
- Councillor McCarthy supports 6PM enforcement
- Carol Pirvey amends deleting Sunday  
2nd by McCarthy ✓
- Council Lovely proposed  
Furey opposed  
meter 8-6 M-S enforcement  
2nd by Pirvey ✓  
Furey opposed.

\* Councillor Lovely moves to move order #183 to the Council  
to have Solicitor put in final form for vote

\* Leave #60 in Committee

Motion to adjourn by Councillor Pirvey  
9:10 PM

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