

Parking and Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

10/20/2022

Via Zoom

Members Present: Pamella Hughes, Nick Nachtman, Kara Park, Camden Studer, Debra Trusty, Rebecca Wilson, David Wittenberg
Staff/Others Present: Geneva Guadalupe, Rhianna Lightle, Brian McClatchey, Jacob Odgaard, Riley Post, Erin Shane, Debby Zumbach and Carrie Brus
Members/Staff Absent: Connor French, Paul Hanley, Madeline Wilson

Meeting began at 1:32 pm

Carrie took roll call based on Zoom attendance

Approval of meeting minutes

- March 29, 2022 and September 9, 2022
- Any questions or additions to the minutes?
 - None
- Moved and seconded to approve the meeting minutes as presented

Graduate Professional Student Government (GPSG) Discussion

- Introduction of special guests, Riley, Geneva and Rhianna
- West campus parking options for graduate students
 - Law students are especially frustrated
 - Not enough parking
 - Not enough accessible parking, both temporary and permanent
 - Bionic Bus services could be an option
 - Check out all the information on accessible parking options
 - Heard about the expansion at Myrtle Lot
 - Met with new Director of Public Safety, Mark Bullock
 - Uptick in crime against students near UIHC
- Projects coming very soon
 - Next three years is going to be a messy situation during several construction projects
 - West Campus Parking Ramp on a portion of Lot 43 (Hawkeye Ramp)
 - Spring 2023 – November 2024
 - Loss of Lot 14 for a new academic building
 - Spring 2023 – November 2024
 - Expansion of Lot 48
 - Summer 2023
 - Oakdale
 - Proposed to add gravel lots to accommodate student storage needs
 - Summer 2023
- Transportation Demand Management (TDM)
 - Demand for parking is extremely high
 - Use of other options
 - All options were impacted by pandemic
 - Starting to see a rebound
 - CAMBUS
 - City bus passes
 - Student bus passes via Coralville and Iowa City Transit systems
 - UI Rideshare network
 - Zipcar
 - Carsharing program
 - No longer here
 - Hope to get a similar program back on campus
 - 380 Express
 - Option in response to the construction project on I-80/I-380
 - Bicycles
 - About 5k bicycle parking spaces across campus
 - Launched use of Bike Index in Fall 2022
 - Registration system that can aid in recovery of lost/stolen bicycles
 - Parking
 - Approximately 17k stalls in system
 - General target for occupancy is about 90% for effective parking supply
 - 2.4 million cashiered transactions in last fiscal year
 - 22k active permits in October
 - Changes every day
 - Parking Waitlist
 - Based on seniority date and working location
 - Student Parking Trends

- 59% increase in student parking permits from 2013 to 2023
- Myrtle Lot – Lot 48
 - Blend of faculty/staff permits and law students
- More cars on campus than ever
 - Making it work as best we can
 - No major gains in terms of inventory yet the demand is soaring
- No student permit waitlists prior to 2019
 - Most often the waitlist works itself out
 - This year, we have almost 500 on the waitlist still in October
- Feedback
 - What incentives for UIHC to not drive
 - Costs less money
 - Can Parking and Transportation incentivize people not to drive and park on the west campus during construction?
 - Last bus is at 6:30pm
 - Iowa City Transit does not offer later schedule options
 - Graduate students are on campus pretty late in the evening
 - Is there anything that we can be doing (GPSG)?
 - Plans for Westlawn?
 - No plans for parking expansion there
 - Potential for changes at Dental Lot
 - Night and weekend permit
 - Why has this permit soared in sales?
 - When safety is more of a concern
 - Need for better lighting and better security in lots that require a walk
 - What is the short-term solution for law students?
 - CAMBUS or public parking facilities
 - CAMBUS has not been able to restore all services specifically to the Cultural Centers
 - Drop-off location for CAMBUS
 - Really is a perfect storm
 - CAMBUS On-Demand
 - Something for the future
 - More to come from this discussion

Hawkeye Ramp update

- Approximately 1,000 spaces
- Project will begin next year
- 18 months to construct
- Road name will change to Hawkeye Ramp Drive (Lot 43 North Drive)
- Using Construction Manager-at-Risk process for the first time
- Overview of facility plans

Parking Rate update

- No rate increases for FY 2024
- Look into the possibility of allowing the first hour free in public facilities
 - Already have first 30 minutes free
 - City of Iowa City does the first hour free
 - More to come on this one

Next meeting

- November 30 at 1:30pm via Zoom
- Future meeting topics
 - Please reach out to any of us if you have ideas
 - Kara, Erin, Debby or Carrie

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn and seconded
- Meeting ended at 2:59 pm