



TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center
Room 2404, Evanston, IL 60201

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ald. Revelle, Ald. Wynne, Ald. Fleming, T. Dubin, L. Young, A. Añón, B. J. Miller

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Parking Manager Jill Velan, Transportation and Mobility Coordinator Jessica Hyink,

PRESIDING MEMBER: Ald. Revelle

1. Call to Order / Declaration of Quorum

Chairman Ald. Revelle declared a quorum at 6:04 P.M.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2019

Item 1

Motion to approve made by Ald. Wynne and seconded by T. Dubin

A vote was called and taken. Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

3. Citizen Comments

Citizen comments were heard during the individual agenda items.

4. Recommendations for Sustainable Regional Transportation Funding – Presentation

Jane Grover from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) gave an interactive presentation about the current condition of the regional transportation infrastructure, how maintenance and ongoing improvements are currently funded, that lead a discussion on sustainability and equitable funding alternatives.

5. Parking Study District 12 - Update

Parking Manager Jill Velan talked about how the needs in the area have changed and that we may need to look at changing from a 24/7 restricted area to a lesser restriction. Still evaluating the area to determine how long the restriction would be for. The plan is to go to the 5th ward meeting and figure out a potential solution and go from there.

There were comments about the residential parking restrictions @ Dodge and Church from a business owner about how the 24 hour restrictions impact the businesses in the area. She was looking for relief for her patrons as increased activity at the Gibbs Morrison building has caused added stress in the area.

Alderman Fleming echoed the comments from the business owner that the needs of the area have changed and that the City does need to look at giving patrons of the area a place to park during the daytime.

Alderman Revelle stated that the plan to go to the 5th ward meeting to work out the details is a good plan of action.

6. Parking in Business Districts (April 29, 2019 Special Council Meeting) - Update

This agenda item began with citizen comments. The comments were from a couple of the business owners along the Main/Dempster corridor. They talk about how the conversion to pay stations has not worked in their business district. They bring up that parking enforcement has been too strict and that the service fee on the ParkEvanston app is too high.

Parking Manager Jill Velan spoke about the meter overtime rules. She talked about how she was still working on the memo for the council meeting on the 29th, but that she was looking at expanding the time limits at all metered areas outside of the downtown area. She talked about trying to determine if the limit would be more effective at 3 or 4 hours. She also talked about why there is a convenience fee on the ParkEvanston app and how the City is still working on negotiating what the fee will be going forward.

11. Adjournment

A Motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Wynne and 2nd by L. Young at 7:43 P.M. A vote was called and then taken. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

The next Committee Meeting is May 22, 2019.