



PARKING ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2020

The Parking Advisory Board convened in a regular meeting on February 10, 2020 at 630 East Hopkins in San Marcos, Texas.

I. Board Vice-Chair Carina Boston Pinales called the meeting to order at 5:14pm.

II. Board Members in Attendance:

- Chair Kelly Stone
- Vice-Chair Carina Boston Pinales
- Board Member Esther Henk
- Board Member Kyle Mylius
- Board Member Chris Rue

Board Members Absent:

- Board Member Johnny Finch
- Board Member Esther Garcia

Board Members Excused:

- Mayor Pro Tem Ed Mihalkanin
- Council Member Joca Marquez

Staff in Attendance:

- Director of General Services Lee Hitchcock
- Administrative Coordinator Christie Murillo
- Downtown Coordinator Josie Falletta
- Director of Destination Services Rebecca Ybarra-Ramirez

III. 30 MINUTE CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

None.

MINUTES

1. A motion was made by Chris Rue, seconded by Kyle Mylius, to approve both the joint workshop and regular meeting minutes from January 13, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

For:	5 –	Chair Kelly Stone, Vice-Chair Carina Boston Pinales, Board Member Esther Henk, Board Member Kyle Mylius, Board Member Chris Rue
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Against:	0	
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. RFP and rollout for electric cab:
 - Edits to draft RFP are made
 - Purchasing department should be able to post sometime in the next 2 weeks
 - Process could take up to 6 months

3. Rollout of subsidized parking
 - Still looking to do 6-month renewable; so far only the Hitch has agreed—FUMC has conditions City would need to meet in order to be on board (pay for restriping, pay monthly electric bill for lighting, insurance)
 - Vitality funds will be used to pay for City's portion
 - Staff to get Board Member Kyle Mylius in touch with Brett Loeffler with LAZ to begin discussions for going live
 - Plan to go live March 1st

ACTION ITEMS

4. This item was tabled until the March meeting

REPORTS

5. Staff report on Transit Plan (please note this is a correction from agenda which listed it as "transportation master plan");
 - Currently, 2/3 of the way through the process
 - Would not have to be a student to ride these busses
 - Proposed to be no fee
 - Branding—working on a community look rather than current student focused look

6. Staff report on parking working group:
 - Administrative Coordinator Christie Murillo updates Board on questions they had at last meeting:
 - Went live with LPR: 3/8/2018
 - # of parking spaces in City Park = 285
 - Hays County has such a high payment rate for tickets downtown because parking tickets are a criminal offense with them—the City of San Marcos will most likely never criminalize parking violations
 - Suspending of driver's licenses or registrations is a civil and not a criminal infraction in San Marcos
 - Cost of restriping FUMC:
 - Thermoplast = \$2102.50 (lasts about 5 years)
 - Paint = \$1735.50 (lasts about 2 years)
 - Electricity = ~\$275/mth
 - Parking enforcement is spending 57-61 hours downtown each week
 - Technical issues with NuPark are still occurring
 - All issues/requests for accounts will go through Supervisor Regina Ruiz to streamline processes
 - Working with NuPark to possibly lower cameras on trucks and gain access to camera control
 - NuPark screens on phones are faster and easier to operate
 - Working diligently with IT to troubleshoot issues/proactively problem solve
 - Have requested that NuPark assign another support rep to our region to meet our needs faster

- Supervisor Ruiz is checking with other cities to see if they have similar issues with NuPark
 - Currently scheduling interviews with 3 candidates for remaining open enforcement position
 - Citizens/students say it is less expensive to receive a \$20 citation than it is to pay the university for a \$400 parking spot
 - Citizens/business owners are equally for and against downtown parking enforcement—they want enforcement so parking can be provided for their employees and patrons, but they do not want their patrons and employees cited
7. Staff report on parking enforcement updates from SMPD:
- January 2019: 219
 - January 2020: 206

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Chair, Vice-Chair elections
- Discussion/action for meeting day/time change
- Add subsidized parking updates to monthly reports
- Discussion: invite planning/communications department representatives to assist in subsidized parking education/marketing plan

IV. QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION WITH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

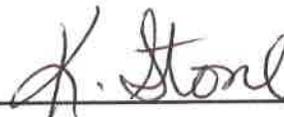
None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm by Vice-Chair Carina Boston Pinales.



Staff Liaison



Board/Commission Chair

