

**CITY OF BLOOMINGTON**

# **PARKING COMMISSION**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

### **PACKET**

April 2023

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Hybrid Meeting in in the Hooker Conference Room (Room #245) of City Hall and Remotely on Zoom

5:30 PM — 7:00 PM

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The meeting will be held both in person in the Hooker Conference Room (Room #245) of City Hall at the Showers Building, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana and through a virtual platform via Zoom using the following link:

<https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/6359441221>

Meeting ID: 635 944 1221

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - A. January 26, 2023
- III. Reports from Commissioners and City Offices
  - A. Elections for Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary
- IV. Reports from the Public
  - A. 222 S. Rogers / 508 W. 3rd Street on-street parking (Lyndsi Thompson)
- V. Discussions of Resolutions
  - A. Parking Resolution 23-01: Remove one (1) 2-hour parking sign on 500 block of West Allen and remove this location from Title 15 schedule N limited parking zone list.
- VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions
  - A. Neighborhood Residential Parking Permit Zone 10
  - B. Meter rates and meter upkeep
- VII. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas
- VIII. Member Announcements
- IX. Commission Schedule (Regular Meeting and Work Session)
- X. Adjournment

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Next Regular Meeting: May 25, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM  
Deadline for Regular Meeting Packet Material: Monday, May 15, 2023

# PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

## Minutes

**Date:** 1/26/2023, 5:30 PM

The meeting was held hybridly in the Hooker Conference Room and remotely on Zoom.

*Parking Commission minutes are transcribed in a summarized outline manner. Audio recordings of the meeting are available in the Planning and Transportation Department for reference.*

### **Attendance**

#### Parking Commissioners present:

Eoban Binder (Chairperson), Stephen Volan (Vice-Chairperson), Ben Dalton (Secretary, via Zoom), Adrienne Evans Fernandez, Michelle Wahl (via Zoom), Christopher Emge, Jack Wanninger, David Wolfe Bender

#### Parking Commissioners absent:

none

#### Others in Attendance:

Regina Moore (via Zoom), Michael Schnoll (via Zoom), Amir Farshchi (Staff), Susan Stoll (Staff, via Zoom), RayeAnn Cox (Staff, via Zoom), Ben Fulton (via Zoom), Nadia Furman, Sam Dove (via Zoom)

- I. **Call to Order** – (~ 5:32 PM)
- II. **Approval of Minutes** – 11/17/2022 – Ms. Evans Fernandez motioned to approve the minutes and Mr. Emge seconded. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0; the motion passed.
- III. **Reports from Commissioners & City Offices**
  - A. **Update on Park Mobile (Michelle Wahl)**

Ms. Wahl reported that new features and capabilities have been enabled on ParkMobile. These changes include the ability to specify a duration for your parking without having to remember to revisit the app to hit “Stop” and a new subscription-based payment model which allows for frequent users to pay a small monthly fee in exchange for discounted transaction costs. Also discussed was the fact that once you have an active ParkMobile session, you are free to move between parking zones without having to stop your current session and begin a new one.

Ms. Wahl also reported that there are several open positions within

Parking Services and encourages anyone to apply.

**B. Trades District Changes (Christopher Emge)**

The City Council approved the purchase of the Showers West Building as the new public safety headquarters. Mr. Emge indicated that there were some potential parking ramifications mentioned during the discussion of that purchase. Mr. Volan indicated that there were 35 spaces in the building's parking lot and that the expectation is that there may be an additional set of spaces reserved in the Trades Garage.

**C. Parking Commission Appointments Expiration (Amir Farshchi)**

Mr. Farshchi reported on several commission-related issues including the expiration of Ms. Evans Fernandez's term on the commission after 6 years of service.

Ms. Gates has resigned her position on the commission.

Other commissioners who have reapplied should hear from the Mayor's office soon. For those with appointments as alternate commission members, they are encouraged to re-apply for a normal seat on the commission.

**IV. Reports from the Public**

**A. Parking Zone 10 (Nadia Furman)**

Ms. Furman visited the commission with inquiries about parking regulations in Zone 10, where she resides. She expressed her desire to abolish the permit-based parking system and shared her findings, which suggest that this type of enforcement is no longer necessary given the current parking situation and changes in the downtown parking experience.

The commission advised Ms. Furman to talk to the homeowner's association and report back to the commission with the outcome of the conversation. If she still feels strongly about the issue, she was encouraged to draft a resolution for a commission member to potentially present for consideration.

**V. Discussions of Resolutions**

**A. 22-08: 2018 Parking Commission Annual Report (Stephen Volan)**

Mr. Wolf Bender motioned to adopt the annual report, Mr. Emge seconded. The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0; the motion passed. Ms. Wahl needed to leave the meeting and was not present for the roll call vote. The annual report was adopted.

## **VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions**

### **A. A. Hopewell Zoning Overlay (Eoban Binder)**

There is a newly approved ordinance which covers the area around the previous site of the Bloomington hospital. Several of these changes directly relate to parking:

- Subdivision standards required alleys
  - 100% of all newly created lots shall be served by an alley
- A driveway accessing the street shall be prohibited if the side or rear setback is adjacent via a platted alley
- No minimum vehicle parking requirements
- Maximum parking reduced by 50%
- Entrances and drives shall be constructed of permeable pavers
- Vehicle parking shall be constructed of permeable pavers

## **VII. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas**

- A. Zone 10 - It was expressed that the commission should invite Ms. Furman and the Zone 10 neighborhood association to a future meeting for continued discussion. Mr. Emge has indicated he will reach out to the near west neighborhood association.
- B. Election of Commission Officers will take place at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

## **VIII. Member Announcements**

- A. Mr. Volan plans to rapidly assemble the 2019 Report and has requested any assistance from other members of the commission.

## **IX. Commission Schedule (Regular Meeting and Work Session)**

- Next Regular Meeting: February 23, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM
- Deadline for Regular Meeting Packet Material: Monday, February 13, 2023
- No scheduled work session.

## **X. Adjournment – ~ 6:50PM**



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**PARKING COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT**

**CASE #23-01  
DATE: 4/27/2023**

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**FROM:** Katie Gandhi, Planning & Transportation

**REQUEST:** Remove one (1) 2-hour parking sign on 500 block of West Allen and remove this location from Title 15 schedule N limited parking zone list.

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**REPORT**

Planning & Transportation received a request to remove of one (1) 2-hour parking sign on 500 block of West Allen, just west of Rogers.

Title 15 schedule N indicates that Allen Street, 220' west of Rogers St to Rogers St, on the North Side of the street, is designated as a limited parking zone. This zone includes four adjacent parallel parking spaces, limited to 2-hours each.

This limited parking zone is located in the McDoel gardens neighborhood, in an R3 zoning district. There are no other limited parking zones in this neighborhood. The four spaces in this limited parking zone are located just south of Hoosier Heights Climbing Gym. Hoosier Heights Climbing Gym is supportive of the removal of this sign.

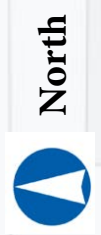
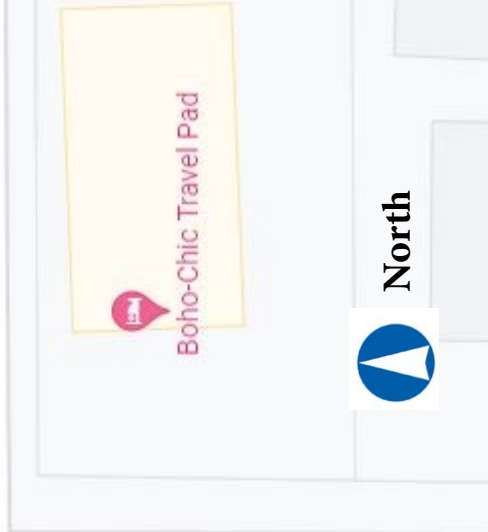
The respective map is included within the meeting packet.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends that the Parking Commission support the changes to Title 15 as described and forward to Council with a positive recommendation. A more detailed Title 15 amendment will be prepared for the Common Council's consideration.



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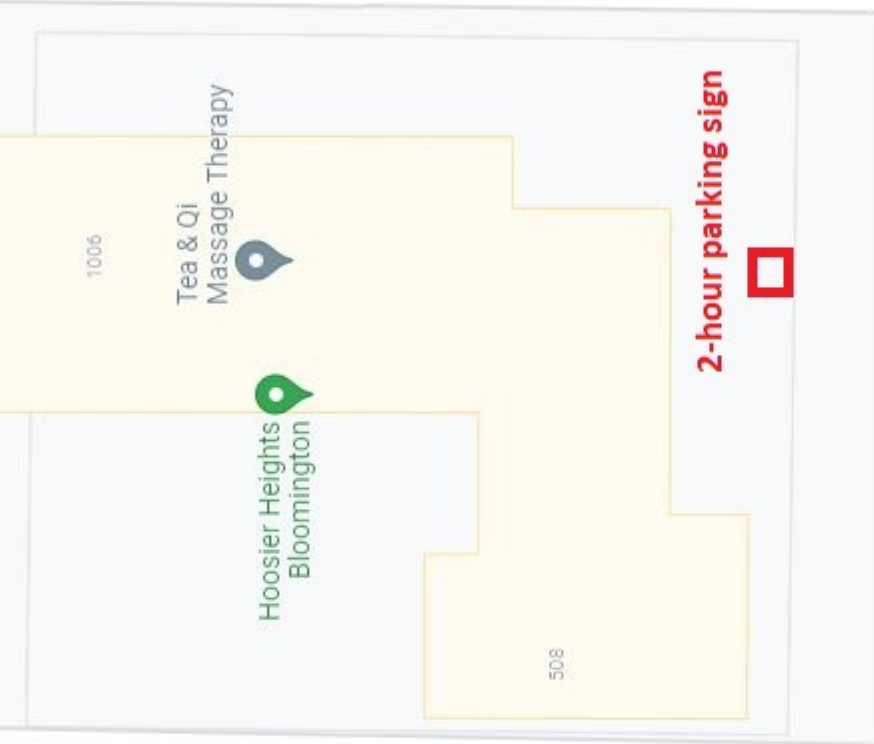


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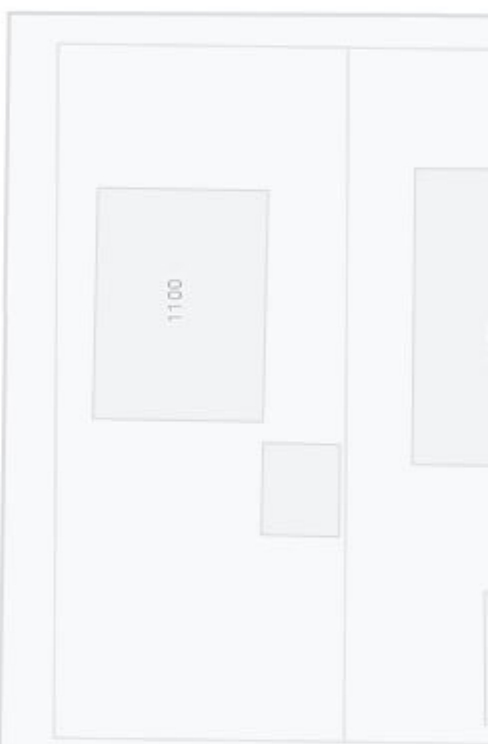
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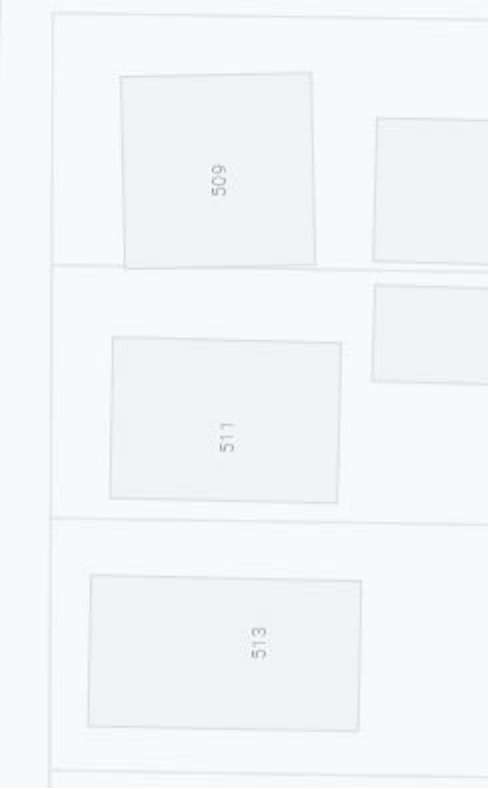
2-hour parking sign



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Katie Gandhi <katie.gandhi@bloomington.in.gov>

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## inquiry from the city

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**Ashley Kellar** <bloomingtoninfo@hoosierheights.com>  
To: Katie Gandhi <katie.gandhi@bloomington.in.gov>

Fri, Apr 21, 2023 at 1:38 PM

Hey Katie!

We would **absolutely love** for those signs to be removed! If there is anything we can do to help voice this opinion we would be thrilled to do so.

Thanks!



Ashley Kellar  
**Assistant Manager**  
*Hoosier Heights Bloomington*

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