

## PARKING COMMISSION

# Regular Meeting

## **PACKET**

August 2023

Thursday, August 24, 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 Passcode: COBPT Dial by your location: 312 626 6799 (Chicago)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Reports from Commissioners and City Offices
  - A. Looking for one Parking Commission member to join SS4A Transportation Advisory Commission/Group
- IV. Reports from the Public
- V. Discussions of Resolutions
  - A. PC-23-03: Proposed Ordinance Update to Section 15.32.150, entitled, "Accessible parking for persons with physical disabilities." *Audrey Brittingham*, *Assistant City Attorney*
- VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions
- 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: September 28, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM Deadline for Regular Meeting Packet Material: Monday, September 25, 2023



Item No. PC-23-03 Date: 8/24/2023

**TO**: Parking Commission

**FROM:** Audrey Brittingham, Legal Department

DATE: August 24, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Ordinance Update to Section 15.32.150, entitled,

"Accessible parking for persons with physical disabilities."

#### **Background**

City of Bloomington Ordinance 15.32.150 limits parking in accessible parking spaces located in two-hour zones, on-street metered areas, and city parking lots to four hours. When this ordinance was enacted, the majority of City parking spots located downtown were two-hour parking spots. However, since the enactment of the ordinance, the majority of City parking spots located downtown are metered without a time limit, except for the the accessible parking spots, which are metered and retain the four-hour limit outlined in the Ordinance. Thus, citizens parking in said accessible parking spaces are treated differently from citizens parking in non-accessible parking spaces, an unintentional outcome of the shift from two-hour parking to metered parking.

Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act states that "no qualified individual with a disability shall by reason of such disability be excluded from participation in or denied benefits of the services, programs, or activities of a public entity, or be subjected to discrimination by such an entity" (42 U.S.C. § 12132);

It is the policy of the City that it does not discriminate on the basis of disability, as stated clearly in City Ordinance 2.21.020. To effectuate the City's policy of non-discrimination, the City wishes to amend the Ordinance to include a time limit on accessible parking spaces only in parking lots or zones that impose time limits on non-accessible spaces, and to remove time limits on accessible parking spaces in parking lots or zones that do not otherwise impose time limits.

#### Title 15 Change

Section 15.32.150, entitled "Accessible parking for persons with physical disabilities,"

shall be amended by deleting and adding the following:

#### Delete

All accessible parking spaces located within the two-hour limit parking zones, on-street metered areas, and city parking lots shall be limited to four hours.

#### Add

All accessible parking spaces located within a time-limited parking zone or lot shall allow up to an additional two hours beyond the zone or lot's stated time. All accessible parking spaces located within a metered parking zone or lot without time limits shall also be metered and without time limits.

#### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Audrey R. Brittingham Assistant City Attorney