



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

PARKING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

PACKET

November 16, 2023

Thursday, November 16, 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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PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM

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:

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Meeting ID: 635 944 1221

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. August 24, 2023
 - B. September 28, 2023
 - C. October 26, 2023
- III. Reports from Commissioners and City Offices
- IV. Reports from the Public
- V. Discussions of Resolutions
- VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions
 - A. Zone 6 parking issues
 - B. Current distribution of loading zones
 - C. On-street parking/3-lane section on Atwater and Woodlawn
 - D. Feedback requested from Boards and Commissions
 - E. Staff Led: Advisory Transportation Commission Proposal
- 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: January 25, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM
Deadline for Next Regular Meeting Packet Material: Monday, January 22, 2023

PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

Date: 8/24/2023, 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:

Ben Dalton (Chair), Jack Wanninger (Vice-Chair), Eoban Binder (Secretary), Christopher Emge, David Wolfe Bender, Michael Schnoll, Stephen Volan

Parking Commissioners absent:

Wahl

Others in Attendance:

Ryan Robling, Karina Pazos (CoB staff)

- I. Call to Order – (~ 5:30 PM)**
- II. Approval of Minutes – none**
- III. Reports from Commissioners & City Offices**
 - A. Karina Pazos reports the Streets and Roadways Steering Committee is seeking members (two members from Parking Commission); looking to work on Vision Zero plan, and applying for grants. All grant applications require a steering committee. Emge asks for clarification on committee's goals. Staff: seeking amendment to Transportation Plan, starting with a Council resolution. Funding is approved but amendment resolution is still pending. CM Volan raises question about relationship between parking and safety. Dalton volunteers to serve on the steering committee.
 - B. Jack Wanninger report: Applied for Neighborhood Zone 1 parking permit. Had praise for how smoothly the system works.
- IV. Reports from the Public (none)**
- V. Discussions of Resolutions**
 - A. Resolution 23-03 - Accessible parking for persons with disabilities (staff)
 - Audrey Brittingham, city attorney: wanting to update Title 15 line to ensure downtown parking accessible spaces are not to be limited to 4 hours, but

to unlimited time just like the other spaces around them. Various questions from commission on exact language, and the result of the new language. Motion from CM Volan for positive recommendation. Motion carries: 4 yes; 1 no; 3 abstain

VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions

- Emge: revisiting loading zones and how they are managed and periodically reviewed.
- Wolf Bender: revisiting meter rates. Dalton suggests expanding this to reviewing more data overall and then making certain recommendations, which could include meter rates. Discussion of timing with respect to old and new council in January; commission should produce a report for council; Bender volunteers to begin creating outline.
- Wanninger: possible inconsistencies in parking violations language, and class C traffic infractions (\$50). But, bike lane is only class B violation. CM Volan: strategies for enforcement, and for signage. Many cars continue to stop in 3rd St bike lane. Is enforcement responsibility of Bloomington Police department? Parking enforcement? IU Police? IU Parking?

VII. Commission Schedule (Regular Meeting and Work Session)

- Next Work Meeting: none scheduled
- Next Regular Meeting: Sep 28, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM

VIII. Adjournment – CM Volan moves to adjourn; Wanninger seconds. Adjourned ~6:35 PM

PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

Date: 9/28/2023, 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:

Ben Dalton (Chair), Jack Wanninger (Vice-Chair), Eoban Binder (Secretary), Stephen Volan, Christopher Emge

Parking Commissioners absent:

Schnoll, Wolfe Bender, Wahl

Others in Attendance:

Ryan Robling, Karina Pazos (CoB staff)

- I. **Call to Order** – (~ 5:30 PM)
- II. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes amended to note Wanninger is Vice-Chair, not CM Volan. CM Volan moves to approve; Emge seconds. Approved unanimously.
- III. **Reports from Commissioners & City Offices**
 - A. Robling: memo from Stephen Lucas on subject of creating Transportation Advisory Commission.
 - B. Response from Emge: CM Volan is on committee evaluating merging transportation commissions; has commission ever applied for grants / appropriations? CM Volan: should all the commissions have the same rules, responsibilities, etc? More than the baseline of officers, having bylaws, etc.
 - C. Annual report is supposed to be submitted each October. Binder: perhaps there should be a template? CM Volan: has already been proposed
 - D. CM Volan: if commissions are being merged anyway, Parking Commission shouldn't spend time on its own governance/language. Dalton: we typically have a full docket, so how would a single merged commission not be overburdened? More discussion of scope of Parking Commission.
- IV. **Reports from the Public**
 - Terra Trace resident complaint about ineligibility to purchase Zone 6 permit.

- Discussion: tried to do this already, didn't get anywhere with council with idea of different pricing for multifamily. Dalton: what about limited number of additional permits, lottery system? Emge: could Parking Services even operate a system like this? (Question directed to Rayeann Cox; Cox refers commission to ask this question of Michelle Wahl).
- Wolfe Bender: wants to look at numbers more closely; which neighborhood zones are under-capacity, over-capacity, etc?
- Robing: no official position from staff on Zone 6 issue yet, but may have it for next time.

V. Discussions of Resolutions

- A. Resolution 23-03 - Accessible parking for persons with disabilities (staff)
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VI. Discussions of Topics Not the Subject of Resolutions

- Loading zone distribution, enforcement hours. Cox: most zones are placed as-needed, trying to avoid trucks blocking travel lanes, etc. Robing: by default they are 24/7. CM Volan: sounds like a title 15 change would be in order. Cox: staff uses chalk on tires, checks back after 30 minutes
- Atwater on-street parking between Woodlawn and Faculty. Was it added before? (yes) why was it removed? (staff thought it was in ordinance, but actually was not). Traffic flow, safety concerns, merits of travel lane vs. parking. Robing: Atwater and 3rd are next in line to be studied more closely, after College/Walnut corridor study.

VI. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas

- Loading zone relocations; joint meeting with traffic commission?
- Wolfe Bender wants to draft proposal for presentation of findings of commission; questions on timeline
- CM Volan: Title 15 changes, effective deadline is december

VII. Member Announcements

- CM Volan giving talk about college campuses on October 12 at Collins LLC.
- Wanninger: police have no citations issued for the last 5 years; CM Volan: suggestion to check City Clerk's office / T2 records. Wanninger: will be reaching out also to IUPD.

VIII. Commission Schedule (Regular Meeting and Work Session)

- Next Work Meeting: none scheduled
- Next Regular Meeting: Oct 26, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM

IX. **Adjournment** – CM Volan moves to adjourn; Binder seconds. Adjourned ~6:55 PM

PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

Date: 10/26/2023, 5:30 PM

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

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Attendance

Parking Commissioners present:

Ben Dalton (Chair), Jack Wanninger (Vice-Chair), Eoban Binder (Secretary), Stephen Volan, Christopher Emge, Michelle Wahl

Parking Commissioners absent:

Schnoll, Wolfe Bender

Others in Attendance:

Ryan Robling, Karina Pazos (CoB staff)

- I. **Call to Order** – (~ 5:30 PM)
- II. **Approval of Minutes** – June minutes approved unanimously
- III. **Reports from Commissioners & City Offices**
 - A. Robling: Showed letter drafted to City Council summing up Parking Commission's previous discussion of Council's request for comments on city commissions' processes and procedures
 - B. Wahl: Presented parking system usage report, consisting of neighborhood permit sales, garage transient revenue, garage monthly revenue, and garage average occupancy (transient and monthly combined) percentage.
 - C. Robling: Transportation Advisory Commission proposal;
- IV. **Reports from the Public**
 - 146 Willow Ct. (Gabriel Farmer, Donna Crawford); neighbors' cars frequently parked in cul-de-sac, making it difficult for vehicles to turn around; residents cited instances of a bus, waste collection truck, and ambulance all having difficulties. CoB staff will work to address.
 - 416 E. 17th St (Matt Winter); resident lives in neighborhood permit zone 6 and is ineligible to purchase a permit due to living in a multifamily building.
 - Courthouse square (Annabelle Klemsz); resident was unhappy about parking options downtown, felt unsafe parking in garages and also believed it was too expensive. CM Volan followed up individually.

- 319 W. 15th St. (Jessica Shurr) resident lives in a single-family home but is not within a neighborhood zone; inquired how to get a zone created.

V. Commission Schedule (Regular Meeting and Work Session)

- Next Work Meeting: none scheduled
- Next Regular Meeting: Nov 16, 2023, 5:30 PM — 7:00 PM

VI. Adjournment – Adjourned ~7:02 PM