

Parking and Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Thursday, March 21, 2013 5:30 pm., in the Birch Room City Hall
Members Present: Abitzl{c}, Kellbach, Keene, Mielke
Members Absent: Nutting
Others Present: Lt. Nathan Pekarske, Weslowski, Alfonso, Schildt, Mark Craig, Betty Pound, Rick Schoeneck, Deb Rice, Nan Giese

In accordance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and sent to the Daily Herald in the proper manner. It was noted that there was a quorum present and the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Abitz at 5:30 pm.

1) Minutes of the Prior Meeting(s) – (02/21/13)

Motion by Mielke, second by Kellbach to approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Motion approved 4-0.

(2) Discussion and possible action on “motor bicycle” registration

Tara Alfonso, Assistant City Attorney explained the ordinance changes where motor bicycle would be inserted to be included with the bicycle registration fee ordinance. Amending sections 10.40.010, 10.40.020, 10.40.040, 10.43.030 and to create section 10.43.040 motor bicycles.

Motion by Mielke, second by Winters to Amend sections 10.40.010, 10.40.020, 10.40.030, 10.40.040, 10.43.030 and create section 10.43.040 Motor Bicycles, as recommended by Assistant City Attorney Tara Alfonso. Motion approved 4-0.

(3) Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of two, 15 minute parking stalls in the 300 block of N 3rd Street.

Mark Craig, Compass Properties, address the committee explaining the request by several businesses in the 300 block of N. 3rd Street. Many of the businesses are restaurants that feel a few parking stalls where a customer could park, run in for food and leave will only help their business thrive.

Motion by Winters, second by Mielke to place two 15 min parking only stalls in the 300 block of N 3rd Street. One to be placed on the southeast corner next to the handicap parking stall, the other on the northeast corner replacing the second stall in from the corner. The 15 minute parking will be posted from 8am until 6pm 7 days a week. Motion approved 4-0.

(4) Discussion and possible action regarding a crosswalk between JcPenny store and the Wausau Gateway property.

Weslowski provided two possible solutions and explained the locations. Option one would be closer to the driveway exit of the JcPenny parking ramp, where option two would be placed further east past the entrance to the Wausau Gateway property driveway. He indicated the cost of the project would run between \$6, 000 - \$7000 and would have to be hired out to be done. The current brick would be removed and replaced with appropriate handicap ramp crossing to include a detectable warning field. Weslowski recommended option two as the safer of the two with the traffic flow in the area.

Motion by Winters, second by Kellbach to approve the installation of a crosswalk using option two, to be placed 190 feet east of 1st Street from the northeast curb radius. Motion approved 4-0.

(5) Discussion and appropriate action regarding restricting parking on the north side of Rosecrans Street between S 3rd Avenue and S 1st Avenue.

Weslowski explained that 3M trucks have a problem turning from S 3rd Avenue onto Rosecrans Street, especially when a car is parked on the north side of Rosecrans Street and a car is traveling west on Rosecrans Street and is stopped at the stop sign. Currently there is no parking allowed on the south side of Rosecrans Street between S 3rd Avenue and S 1st Avenue.

Motion by Mielke, second by Winters, to restrict parking on the north side of Rosecrans Street from S 3rd Avenue east to the first driveway. Motion approved 4-0.

(6) Future Agenda Items:

YMCA request for 15 min parking stalls – Mielke

Werle Ave parking restrictions – Weslowski

W. Bridge Street Riiser Gas Station driveway – Kellbach

Genrich Street 15 min parking for dry cleaners – (Winters will ask if they would need this)

(7) Next Scheduled Meeting: April 18, 2013

Adjourn

Motion by Mielke, second by Winters to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

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Sherry Abitz, Chair