

NW Parking SAC

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Friendly House
1737 NW 26th Ave.
Portland, OR 97210

Meeting Notes

Members in Attendance

Elizabeth Aaby, Karen Karlsson, Rick Michaelson (Chair), Phil Selinger, Don Singer

Staff

Chris Armes (PBOT), Joan Frederiksen (BPS), Bill Hoffman (PBOT), Lynda Viray (PBOT)

Public in Attendance

Jessica Beneski (Fruit & Flower), Gina Cole, Jeanne Harrison, Leanne Eivers, Kevin Ryan (William Temple House)

Welcome & Public Comment

Rick Michaelson called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. and invited public comment.

Public Comment:

William Temple House staff (Ryan, Heather, Nick, and Christina) discussed the effects of the parking plan on their non-profit located on 20th and Hoyt and donations site located on 22nd and Glisan specifically how parking presents an issue to their clients and vendors. Two 15 minutes spaces have been removed and their staff would like to request either a loading zone or a replacement short term parking space. Rick advised Christina, Assistant Manager to request a 30 minute short term parking space as this option may be more suitable to their donation drop off needs. Chris also explained how 30 minute spaces will be installed at the corners shortly. William Temple House staff asked if there are special parking provisions for non-profits or churches and Chris clarified that these special parking provisions do not exist. Chris asked Christina, Assistant Manager to call her after the meeting to schedule a time to meet and discuss on site to review the location to see what is feasible.

Jessica from Fruit & Flower also discussed the similar effects of the parking plan on their non-profit located on 24th and Irving specifically how parking presents an issue to their clients. A 10 minutes short term parking space has been removed and they would like to request the same space again. Chris again explained how 30 minute spaces will be installed at the corners shortly and changes being implemented based on the parking plan. Committee members commented on how drop off spaces for certain services would need to be considered. Rick will follow up and draft a policy for committee review.

TDM:

Rick reported on behalf of Steve and Scott specifically that TDM outreach is happening and they would have a draft of outreach materials available in the next month. Phil reported on the NWDA Transportation Committee Meeting held on April 6th where Steve and Scott presented. He commented on how the meeting's focus was the BikeShare rollout and 12 locations in the NW District are being narrowed down.

Parking Minimums Ordinance:

Joan reported on how she's working on the shared commercial parking documents to file for City Council. The council date is likely to be scheduled in mid-June. She is working with the City Attorney on tightening language and she will circulate a draft for committee review and testimonial purposes.

Meter Installation Impacts:

Rick requested committee feedback regarding the meters. Karen commented on the empty spaces on 21st Ave from 10 AM – 2 PM, the behavior of construction workers, and the confusion of the corners. Jeanne commented on seeing an increase of illegal parking (unpaid) which requires more city enforcement. Phil commented on witnessing meter patrols and how there are irresponsible parkers. Elizabeth commented on how since meters opened on 21st Ave and 23rd Ave, people are shifting to Westover Road for long term parking. Don commented on spaces turning over on 23rd Ave, empty spaces on 21st Ave, and side streets are at full capacity. Rick suggested starting the pay period on 21st Ave at 10 AM instead of 9 AM. PBOT staff commented on receiving positive feedback and data shows that the average transaction is 90 minutes. The public also commented on how parking has worked well in the area.

FY 16/17 Permit Rules:

Rick reviewed the permit rules and the decision to keep the price and number of permits the same. The committee agreed to conduct a voluntary survey for employees again and include residents. Chris explained a mandatory survey can be conducted once an online system is established for management purposes. Rick will help coordinate the surveys with the committee and PBOT.

New Business:

An annexation request has been requested on both sides of NW Northrup 25th and 26th. The committee would need to support the expansion of Zone M before the ballots are distributed. Bill commented a process is needed for a possible mass migration into Zone M. Rick expressed the committee is not objecting PBOT's policies for annexation but the committee still needs to discuss this further. Rick also suggested Hillside could have its own separate permit parking system.