



**Parking Advisory Committee Meeting  
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2016  
City Hall Conference Room  
23600 Liberty Street  
Farmington, MI 48335**

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**AMENDED PARKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 16, 2016**

**1. Roll Call**

**a) In attendance: Elizabeth Turton, Michael, Kenneth Crutcher, Frank Demers,  
David Murphy, Rachel Gallagher, and Todd Huffman.**

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**3. Approval of Previous minutes: Minutes approved.**

**a) July 20, 2016**

**b) August 17, 2016**

**c) September 14, 2016**

**4. Parking Study behind the Vines (\$3,000 request)**

**a) Rachael asked for this item. There is a plot of land behind the Vines, 3304 Grand River. There is a dumpster in the center of the area, Rachael believes that this is City owned because there have been cars ticketed. Frank did note that all of the cars parked there currently are cars from Darrel's Firestone. The issue is in the Winter. The cars get plowed in so these spots then end up being lost for the whole winter. Rachel will make inquiries of what spots are owned by Clappison's. Kenneth Crutcher points out that the CivicSite map makes it appear that the specific property is city owned. Turton asked if we can sign based upon the map. There was a concern that we should not sign based upon this map. The estimate from OHM for a survey of these sixteen**

spaces is \$3,000. There was a question as to whether the city is maintaining those spaces, paving (although it is not paved) and treating in the weather. It is believed city is maintaining those areas. When viewing the spaces it is pretty clear that the pavement is not kept up and that is when we think the city lot begins..

- a) Rachael asked that the Parking Committee ask City Council will pay the \$3,000-\$5,000 to have the survey.
- b) Kenneth suggested that Mr. Murphy go back to Freshtime and look to see what parking spaces they were identifying for their survey in their building.
- c) Frank shows that Vines has 7 spots directly behind her building. There are two spaces north of the telephone pole that are unsigned (with good pavement). Then there are 8 spaces around the dumpster.
- d) Signs could be placed on the telephone pole and could be placed on the dumpster. There could be one in the pavement near Clappison's.

***1. Dave Murphy and Frank Demers are going to speak to Mr. Clappison and have signage put up to resolve this issue.***

**5. Discussion regarding modification of three hour time limit**

- a) Walker recommended to modify the current ordinance. Walker saw a lot of people just moving cars over one space.
- b) Rachael's Proposed modification: A vehicle can be in the lot for three hours and then not able to be back within the same lot for more than 24 hours.
- c) Kenneth indicated that a modification could be that you can't park within a certain number of feet from the same space.
- d) Frank is concerned about trying to enforce such a modification.

a) Todd asked about a license plate reader, Frank and Kenneth indicated that it is very very expensive. That would be an option. This type of enforcement would be very difficult to do manually.

1. Frank is going to ask around and see if any other areas have similar ordinances to see if they are doing it, how does it work. He will report back at the next meeting.

a) An option would be kiosks by zone but that would be a lot of infrastructure to put in to give people free parking.

2. Walker will provide us with language as to how to do it.

3. Kenneth proposed an ordinance to tell employees that they cannot park in that lot. The issue again is enforcement, people can use different cars etc. There is concern that it won't go over well. Frank is going to see what everyone else is doing.

## 6. Public Safety Update

a) Director Demer's ran a report between end of September to October 20. There were 31 citations issued.

b) We have two candidates for the parking enforcement position. It is anticipated that the position will be filled by next week.

c) Walt Guyesky expressed that at the Downtown Market, people are parking along the curbs and that we should consider putting parking along the curbs. Director Demers does not want to allow parking there. We have an ordinance 'kto enforce that people can't park there.

a) Kenneth Crutcher suggested that we paint the curb yellow. Director Demers indicated that it is a safety concern to stripe along the curb.

b) In three months we have not had a complaint about Fresh Thyme.

7. Public comment – No members of the public appeared for comment.

**8. Committee comments**

- a) Rachel Gallagher's comment was that she loved George but that he was pretty lenient perhaps our new enforcement officers could be a little more strict.

**9. Adjournment**

**Next meeting January 18, 2017**