

Meeting Minutes
Farmington Parking Advisory Committee
July 17, 2019

Attendees

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Agenda

1. Roll call - 7:01 p.m.

2. Approval of the agenda -

Crutcher made a motion to approve. Galvin Supported. All were in favor. —
Approved

3. Approval of the June 2019 Parking Advisory Committee Minutes

Crutcher made a motion to approve. Galvin Supported. All were in favor.—
Approved

4. Public Comment — No Public Comments

5. Public Safety Update —

Chief Demers informed the committee that the public safety department is actively recruiting to fill the unfortunate and unexpected vacancy left by the passing of enforcement officer Roberts.

Also, as a result of Officer Roberts' passing, the usual parking report provided to this committee was understandably not provided.

A motion was made by Galvin to reorder the agenda. The motion was to move committee review of the newly installed safety cameras to the end of the meeting. Crutcher supported. All were in favor

6. Ride Sharing Sign —

Murphy provided an update to the committee that the Farmington ride sharing sign had not yet arrived. Therefore, it has not yet been placed in the designated location on the Westbound curbside of Grand River Avenue in front of the Farmington Civic Theater

Halas provided an update that both he and John Randle have contacted both Lyft and Uber. Neither company has returned inquiries regarding the inclusion of the Farmington ride sharing pick-up/drop-off location into the respective apps. This will remain an ongoing process with Uber, Lyft and Google.

7. Discuss the economic value of a parking space —

Galvin read a passage from the book “The High Cost of Free Parking” by Donald Shoup. In summary, the passage explored the concept of developers paying fees in lieu of complying with existing parking ordinances that are potentially prohibitive to both development and redevelopment efforts.

Crutcher and Galvin agreed that this concept was worthy of further discussion among both the planning commission and city council. The complete text is available in the book.

8. Future items for discussion —

Murphy provided an update that the leadership of Salem Church will meet later this month to discuss a possible plan for leasing their lot to the city.

9. Committee Comments —

Galvin provided an update about the MTC project: City Council authorized \$50k to prep assessment of Geotech surveys. More detail about this authorization can be found the council meeting minutes.

**Re-ordered agenda item: Security Camera Demonstration —

Chief Demers provided a demonstration of the capabilities of the new observation cameras that are positioned in the Groves shopping area. The committee agreed that this can be a valuable tool for parking enforcement. Of particular note, Mantey suggested that the cadet observe parking in the Grove Street spaces that are opposite the pavilion during the Saturday Farmers Market as a test.

Chief Demers will report the outcome of this test at the next parking advisory committee meeting.

11. Adjournment 7:53