



DOWNTOWN PARKING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 9, 2009
7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.
Gebhard Meeting Room
630 Garden Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

1) **CALL TO ORDER:** 7:30 a.m.

2) **ROLL CALL**

DPC MEMBERS

Randy Rowse	Present
Tom Williams	Present
Jim Hammock	Present
Bill Collyer	Present
Matt LaBrie	Present
Gene McKnight	Present
Eric Kelley	Present

Attendance

CITY STAFF PRESENT :

Browning Allen, Transportation Manager
Victor Garza, Parking / TMP Superintendent
Brandon Beaudette, Administrative Assistant

LIAISONS PRESENT:

Grant House, City Council

Others Present

Sheila Lodge, Planning Commission

3) **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2009.**

It was moved by E. Kelley and seconded by Bill Collyer to approve the minutes. The motion was carried 6 yeas/0 nays.

5) **QUARTERLY REPORT ON GRANADA GARAGE PERFORMANCE**

B. Beaudette presented the Quarterly Report on the Granada Garage performance. From the peak hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. the garage is holding more cars than the old surface lot could handle. The garage is peaking at 272 cars parked.

R. Rowse asked how the Granada Garage is performing compared to the rest of the system and how the special event parking is performing. B. Beaudette responded that the garage is performing comparitively to the rest of the system and is down in occupancy. The special event parking is performing smoothly and operations staff does a great job on staying on top of performances when they are added to the Granada Theater.

T. Williams asked if the special event parking is done at all performances. B. Beaudette answered that they are only done on weekend and evening performances. E. Kelley would like to make sure the signs for the special event parking are out of sight from the street.

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J. Hammock asked if this report was still necessary. B. Allen stated it was at the pleasure of the committee. T. Williams commented he would like to know more system wide stats. B. Collyer suggested a quarterly "bi-annual" survey should be given. B. Allen stated that staff would look into doing it quarterly instead of twice a year.

6) REVIEW OF DOWNTOWN PARKING BUDGET

B. Allen informed the committee that a \$50,000 line item would be included into the FY 10 budget for downtown security personnel. The city would match the funds provided by the Downtown Organization up to \$50,000.

T. Williams asked about the timetable for presenting the FY 10 budget. B. Allen stated that the committee will see next year's budget in May. R. Rowse replied that the protocol seems different this year as the budget is usually shown to the committee in April. B. Allen stated that due to the sensitivity of the budget this year the City Administrator wanted it shown to the City Council first.

T. Williams asked if Downtown Parking was required to reduce next years' budget. B. Allen answered that Downtown Parking was not required but adjustments had to be made as revenue is down.

R. Rowse asked if the Downtown Security could be put on a future agenda. He would like to hear input from Rebecca Jimenez, Parking Operations Supervisor. G. McKnight is concerned that security isn't going to be possible should the Downtown Organization choose not to match funds. M. LaBrie asked if any other enterprise funds have precedents set as far as security. He also asked about the parking lots cleaning schedules. B. Allen replied that other enterprise funds such as Airport and Waterfront have their own peace officers. Cleaning crews are in before the peak hours and are out by 10:00 a.m. There are about 2 to 3 maintenance employees on at night for restroom cleaning and troubleshooting problems.

R. Rowse stated that there is a big difference from a uniformed peace officer and a maintenance employee. He feels a trained presence would be helpful. B. Collyer provided some background by stating that the Downtown Organization's desire was a part time uniformed officer to walk State Street during targeted hours. Nights and driving around was not part of the discussion. B. Allen stated that the Downtown Organization and the Police Department need to sit down and hammer out what is needed. He can be a part of that conversation to see what Downtown Parking can contribute.

G. House suggested a Sub-Committee meet to discuss this item. R. Rowse agreed and would like a Sub-Committee to meet on the Security issue before presenting it to the full committee.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:27 a.m.