MINUTES FROM THE
PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
December 8, 2023

Members Present: David Balai, Ryan Fries, John Foster, Cindy Cobetto, Shane Kessinger, Michelle Shatto, Logan MacDonald, Ericka Johnson, Moayad Abuzanah, Cheyenne Carpenter, George Pelekanos

Ex-Officio Members Present: Robert Vanzo, Craig Holan, Tony Langendorf, and Diane Chappel

Members Absent: Jennifer Rosselli-Lynch, excused; Collin Van Meter, excused; and Leah Foster, excused

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Mallory Sidarous, excused, and Daina Wertman, excused

Chairman, David Balai presided over the monthly Parking and Traffic Committee Meeting on Friday, December 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in person and via Zoom. Minutes from the meeting of November 10, 2023, were presented. Cindy Cobetto made a Motion to approve the Minutes. Shane Kessinger seconded the Motion. Hearing no objections, Minutes stand approved as written.

The committee welcomed the Parking Service Agents, Mike Hamil and Teri from Parking Services. They were acknowledged for their service and commitment to SIUE.

COMMITTEES

A. Appeals Committee: David Balai reported no Appeals were presented today.

B. Policy Committee: No report.

C. Senate Reports:
   1. Faculty Senate: No report.
   2. Staff Senate: No report.
   3. Student Senate: No report.

CORRESPONDENCE

A. None.
OLD BUSINESS

A. Initiatives Assigned to Facilities Management:

Tony reported that the signage for the pay-by-space area in Lot A will be shipped soon and hopefully will be installed after the holiday break period.

B. Motorist Assistance, Citation, Towing Monthly Report, and Moving Violation Statistics, and EV Charging Data:

Tony reported much the same as last month. Citations down slightly. Most transactions in the pay-by-space areas are with credit cards. In Lot B they will be pulling the wire to install the EV Charging Station. Once that is complete, he will be able to take photos of the area and send to the Vendor. Then they will set up a time to install the machine.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Pay by Text:

The single space meters in the Woodland Hall Circle were removed. Those spaces will now be used as pay-by-text spaces. Signage will be installed.

B. Pay by Space Machine Discussion:

We are hoping to modify all the pay-by-space areas so that individuals will be able to pay with the Machine, an APP, or by texting. We are looking to find a Vendor that allows you to pay with all three different methods of payment. Tony stated that the bill acceptors have not been functioning correctly. It costs $2,000 to replace. Only 5 percent of individuals pay with cash. Tony added we would probably keep the cash option in the visitor lots.

Dave Balai made a Motion to begin phasing out the bill acceptors as they fail. Shane seconded the Motion.

C. Summer 24 Construction Schedule:

Tony reported he has been communicating with Oates Associates on the resealing of all the parking lots for the Summer of 24. This would mean that most of the lots will be closed for 4 days. Signs, emails and the E Today will be providing the information on lot closures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Craig reported on issues with the traffic lights at the intersections of North and East University Drives. He stated they do belong to SIUE. They were installed in 2012 and have not been operating correctly for a long time. The controller for the lights is not supported and is
currently in the process of being upgraded. Ryan offered to have his students, who study traffic signal design, to assist in designing a better system for the lights to operate more efficiently. Craig and Ryan will meet to discuss.

Dave Balai announced this would be his last meeting on this Committee. Bob thanked Dave for his wonderful job as Chair of the Committee. He added that he will be calling Dave when he returns from Active Duty to come back and serve again on the committee.

Logan MacDonald, one of the students, is graduating next week. He stated he has enjoyed getting a better understanding of the operation of Parking Services.

Moayad stated he would like to see if East University Drive could have lighting to brighten the area and make it more visible for visitors to the University. Craig stated there is a Deferred Maintenance Plan which will include North University and South University Drives. He will try to add that onto the plan. He is also trying to get those roads on the National Highway List.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Logan MacDonald. Shane Kessinger seconded the Motion. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next meeting will be on Friday, January 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Room at the Morris University Center and on Zoom.