City of Newport Parking Advisory Committee Minutes August 21, 2024

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NEWPORT CITY HALL, 169 SW COAST HIGHWAY, NEWPORT Time Start: 6:05 P.M. Time End: 7:54 P.M.

ATTENDANCE LOG/ROLLCALL

COMMITTEE MEMBER	STAFF
Chair Janell Goplen	Derrick Tokos, Community Development Director
Aracelly Guevara	Sherri Marineau, Community Development Dept.
Aaron Bretz	Donald Valentine, Community Service Officer
Gary Ripka (by video)	Jason Malloy, Police Chief
Bill Branigan (by video)	John Fuller, Communications Specialist
Doretta Smith (absent, excused)	TALL STREET STREET STREET STREET STREET
Robert Emond (by video)	PUBLIC
	Susan Armstrong
	Tony Bixler

AGENDA ITEM	ACTIONS
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL a. Roll Call	None.
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES a. Meeting minutes of July 17, 2024	Motion by Bretz, seconded by Branigan to approve the minutes of July 17, 2024 as written. Motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.
MO'S REQUEST FOR 20-MIN PARKING ON THE BAYFRONT	Mr. Tokos reviewed the request from Mo's Restaurant owners to have a 20-Minute parking space on the Bayfront. The Committee discussed the history of 20-minute parking spaces, their locations and whether or not other businesses had asked for these spaces. Motion by Goplen, seconded by Bretz to approve a 20-minute parking space in front of the Bay Market in the last angled space. Motion carried in a voice vote. Branigan was a nay. Ripka entered the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Emond requested there was room for the Committee to discuss the distance requirements between loading

The Committee suggested doing a humorous social media campaign to get people's attention, which Chief Malloy had concerns with. The group also expressed concerns on how aggressive the rules were. Malloy explained how the Police Department would enforce for chronic offenders; and how they were already giving warnings and doing extensive outreach for the program.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS FOR MANAGING PARKING IN NYE BEACH (CONTINUED DISCUSSION)

Tokos suggested the Nye Beach discussion be continued to the next meeting due to Doretta Smith not being in attendance. He reported the Visual Arts Center lot couldn't have sufficient ADA spaces until they did significant work to the parking lot.

Ripka wanted the city to better explain to the public that the parking program wasn't a money grab and that the funds went back into parking improvements and enforcement.

Valentine reported that he had been asked by tow companies, Fire engines, EMTs, and park rangers if the first portion of the parking on the Nye Beach turnaround, by the Archway Market, could be eliminated so they could have access for their vehicles. The public that were parking in the parallel spaces made it hard to maneuver these vehicles and were creating a traffic hazard.

Emond asked for a status on the Committee interviews be done. He noted the Nye Beach Association would like Committee members speak to their group.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC COMMENT

Tony Bixler suggested that business owners be told the difference between towed and booting vehicles. He wanted to know what amount of traffic was being affected on the Bayfront due to the parking program. Bixler suggested sharing the data that showed that the parking program was creating traffic turnover.

Ripka asked for a breakdown on what was being spent to park in each zone.

Submitted by:

Sherri Marineau, Executive Assistant