



Meeting Minutes

Parking Advisory Committee

October 27, 2021 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Beth Snoke, Susan Boiarski-Markle, Daren Lehman, Bill Mifsud, Chris Kovitya, Bob Armstrong, Kevin Petrilla, Bill Phillips, Mark Conselyea, Katie Laux, Thomas Knox, Mike Penner, Ulrich Heinz, Martha Cibusu, Alex Poling, Nicole Holman, Alexis Moore, Kimberly Spears-McNatt, Matt Burgdorf, John Kuhar, Xen Riggs, Lori Yoder, Laurel Van Dromme, Hannah Weaver

Welcome (Beth Snoke)

Beth Snoke performed introductions, welcomed new members, and provided an overview to the group about the Parking Concession Agreement, as well as the role of the Parking Advisory Committee (PAC). The upcoming meetings this year are scheduled for December 15th, February 23rd and April 27th.

CampusParc Update (Sarah Blouch, Keith Palma, Matt Burgdorf)

Matt Burgdorf from CampusParc shared a capital projects update:

- CampusParc has finished garage rooftop fencing on three garages this year and that concludes the fencing on all garages.
- They continue to work on the Arps and Northwest Garages. Membrane work on the upper floors of the Northwest Garage continues.
- Multiple surface lots were sealed and striped. Intensive repairs in Carmack 4 occurred.
- CampusParc plans to take on more projects next year that were deferred due to COVID and hope to catch back up with projects moving forward.

Topics of Interest / Open Discussion (PAC Members)

Bill Mifsud shared an update on garage capacities within the Health Sciences District.

- 9th Avenue East, 9th Avenue West and Neil Avenue fill to capacity by 8 a.m.
- In early October, there have been an average 300 empty spaces in the 11th Avenue Garage and 1100 empty spaces in the Wexner Medical Center (WMC) Garage.
 - To help rebalance demand, a decision was made to allow BG2 permit holders from the 9th Avenue East and West Garages to exchange their permit to a new BG6 permit that would allow them to park in the WMC Garage. This option was also available to customers on the BG2 waitlist.
 - The new WMC Garage holds 1900 parking spaces and visitor parking will not be needed until 2025/26 when the new hospital opens.
 - In June 2022, the 1100 space Dodd Garage will open.
- Daren Lehman shared that the mental health professionals that need to travel to Younkin and across campus should be included as those that need to have parking.
- Beth Snoke commented that the 11th Avenue Garage fills daily up to about 62% and it is under-utilized. They are in discussion about how to best use these spaces.



- Bill Mifsud stated that there are areas on campus that are moving people and students around, that they need to be in contact with TTM and CampusParc so that this can be factored into parking.

Nicole Holman shared a presentation about a new feature on the Ohio State app that will show global traffic impacts related to construction and events on the campus (see attached). Traffic impact information is also shared via web sites, social media, newsletters and OSUGo text alerts. A website version will also be available in 2022.

- Bob Armstrong suggested incorporating Waze into the travel planning tool.
- Nicole Holman encouraged the PAC to sign up for the [OSUGo text service](#) for alerts about travel impacts. Users can sign up by texting osugo to 67283. She also highlighted the university's new [CABS On-Demand service](#) as an alternate mobility option to travel around campus.

Hannah Weaver from Interprofessional Council (IPC) had some professional students approach her about the student yearly permits. In the Health Sciences District, there are not many student spaces and the permit prices continue to rise. She asked about the possibility of paying for the student permit in two payments rather than all in once.

- Chris Kovitya responded that there is a couple of permit options that currently allow payments to be made. Chris also stated that CampusParc's current software is very limited in allowing payment options, but they are looking for a new software vendor that has this as an option.

Martha Cibusu is an undergraduate and commuter student. She asked what CampusParc is doing regarding the C surface lots and potholes. She also stated that there has been an increase in the student commuter population and wanted to know what the university is doing to address this with parking.

- Chris Kovitya stated that CampusParc deferred non-safety related projects this year due to COVID. Next year, they have a very aggressive capital plan and they will be improving about half of the surface lots. They are currently working on signage and if you see potholes that need to be fixed to please email osuinfo@campusparc.com as they will actively correct them if they are safety concerns.
- Matt Burdorf stated that they have been actively correcting potholes this past month and that the yearly permit offers the best daily discount on the parking experience. Beth Snoke stated that there is a new parking lot on Kinnear Road for overnight parking. The West Campus bus services that lot and the new On-Demand service does make trips to that lot.

Mike Penner asked what the plan is for the vacated parking in the near Buckeye Village. Daren Lehman stated that there is one lot that has 150 spaces and it's an empty lot. Beth Snoke and Chris Kovitya will work with Keith to work on getting these spaces opened.