



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Transit and Parking Commission

*Chairperson Deborah Ganaway
Alderman Raymond DeHahn
Kristin Niemiec
John Heckenlively
Mark Kowbel*

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

4:30 PM

City Hall, Room 301

REVISED

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 P.M.

Also Present: Al Stanek, Tom Eeg, Willie McDonald, John Myers, John Magee

Approval of Minutes for the March 30, 2011 Meeting

Parking System Business

1. [11-6288](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting authorization for a pay-by-space parking kiosk demonstration project.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-27-11: Recommend giving authorization to the Transit and Parking System Manager to initiate a Pay-by-Space Parking Kiosk Demonstration in the Library Parking Lot to test the potential use of credit card/cash/coin kiosk hardware as a way to improve efficiency and provide customers additional options. The demonstration project is to start as soon as May 16, 2011 and will be evaluated after at least six months of operations. All spaces in the Library Parking Lot, with the exception of two already designated handicapped stalls, are to be for a maximum rental of four hours. The handicapped stalls are to remain free pending an opinion from the City Attorney's Office and the City Attorney will review existing parking ordinances for any potential changes to allow for the potential permanent usage of the Pay-by-Space technology.

Fiscal Note: Equipment purchase was previously approved and funded. No immediate fiscal impact.

Motion made by Heckenlively, seconded by DeHahn to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

2. [11-6349](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from Meridian Group Inc./McMynn Tower Apartments is requesting permission to hang a flag on the flag pole in front of the McMynn Parking Ramp (120 7th Street).

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-27-11: Approve giving the Meridian Group Inc./McMynn Tower Apartments permission to hang a flag on the flag pole at the McMynn Parking Ramp.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

Transit System Business

3. [11-6181](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to review the transit operating agreement between the City of Racine and the Village of Mt. Pleasant.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-30-11: Defer

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-27-11: Approve authorizing the Transit and Parking System Manager to begin a dialogue with Village of Mt. Pleasant representatives regarding the 2011 and future year Belle Urban System (BUS) Bus Service Agreement and methodology for determining distribution of "local share" costs.

Fical Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

4. [11-6178](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to review the transit operating agreement between the City of Racine and the Town of Yorkville.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-30-11: Defer

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
04-27-11: Defer**

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to defer. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

5. [11-6179](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to review the transit operating agreement between the City of Racine and the Village of Caledonia.

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
03-30-11: Defer**

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
04-27-11: Defer**

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to defer. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

6. [11-6180](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to review the transit operating agreement between the City of Racine and the Village of Sturtevant.

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
03-30-11: Defer**

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
04-27-11: Defer**

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to defer. Passed unanimously.

Deferred

7. [11-6286](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting authorization to apply for Paratransit gasoline tax payment refunds.

**Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on
04-27-11:** Approve giving the Transit and Parking System Manager authorization to apply for Paratransit gasoline tax payment refunds.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Potential rebate of over \$17,000 for State gasoline tax erroneously paid for paratransit vehicles since 2009.

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

8. [11-6287](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Kenosha Area Transit.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

04-27-11: Approve authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the Kenosha Area Transit System to "piggy-back" on an already approved purchasing agreement with Gillig Corporation for Racine's purchase of three 35' low-floor transit buses at the price guaranteed through May 6, 2011 of \$399,295.00 each. The Purchasing Agent is authorized to issue a notice to proceed to Gillig Corporation at the above mentioned price for three buses. Although the intergovernmental agreement is for "up to five" buses grant funds and matching City share dollars are only approved for the purchase of three buses at this time.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available and approved in Account 105.900.5010, Capital Projects.

Production cost indexes are on the way up, and taking advantage of the earlier quoted price could save significant money per vehicle.

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

9. [11-6063](#) **Subject:** Communication from Gary Wolbach (Racine German Club - 701 Villa St.) requesting a bus stop at that location be moved due to vandalism.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

02-23-11: Defer

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

04-27-11: Approve moving the bus stop at 701 Villa Street.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Existing bus stop to have two parking meters moved from mid-block to accommodate moved bus stop.

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

10. [11-6289](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting approval to remove a parking meter and move

the bus stop at 7th and Main St.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-27-11: Approve the removal of a parking meter and moving the bus stop at 7th and Main St.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Safety concerns expressed.

Motion made by Kowbel, seconded by DeHahn to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

11. [11-6291](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to move the bus stop at South St. and Douglas Ave.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-28-11: Approve moving the bus stop at South St. and Douglas Avenue.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

12. [11-6292](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting authorization to move a bus stop at Washington Ave. and Prairie Dr.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 04-27-11: Approve moving the bus stop at Washington Ave. and Prairie Dr.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended for Approval

13. [11-6182](#)

Subject: Communication from the BUS General Manager submitting for review the February 2011 Operating Report for the Belle Urban Transit System.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-30-11: Defer

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

04-27-11: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Heckenlively to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

14. [11-6293](#)

Subject: Communication from the Belle Urban Transit (BUS) System General Manager submitting the March 2011 operating report.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

04-27-11: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

15. [11-6290](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting informational items be placed on the April 27, 2011 Transit and Parking Commission agenda.

1. Bus Advertising Revenue for 2010.
2. New BUS website development.
3. La Salle and Shorecrest bus stop update.
4. Focus on Energy LED project for 1900 Kentucky.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

04-27-11: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Informational items noted.

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 P.M.

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